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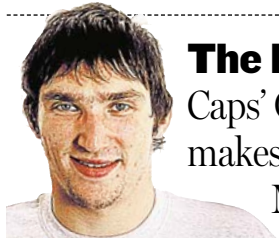
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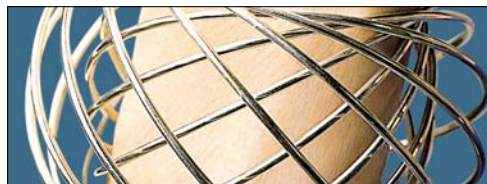
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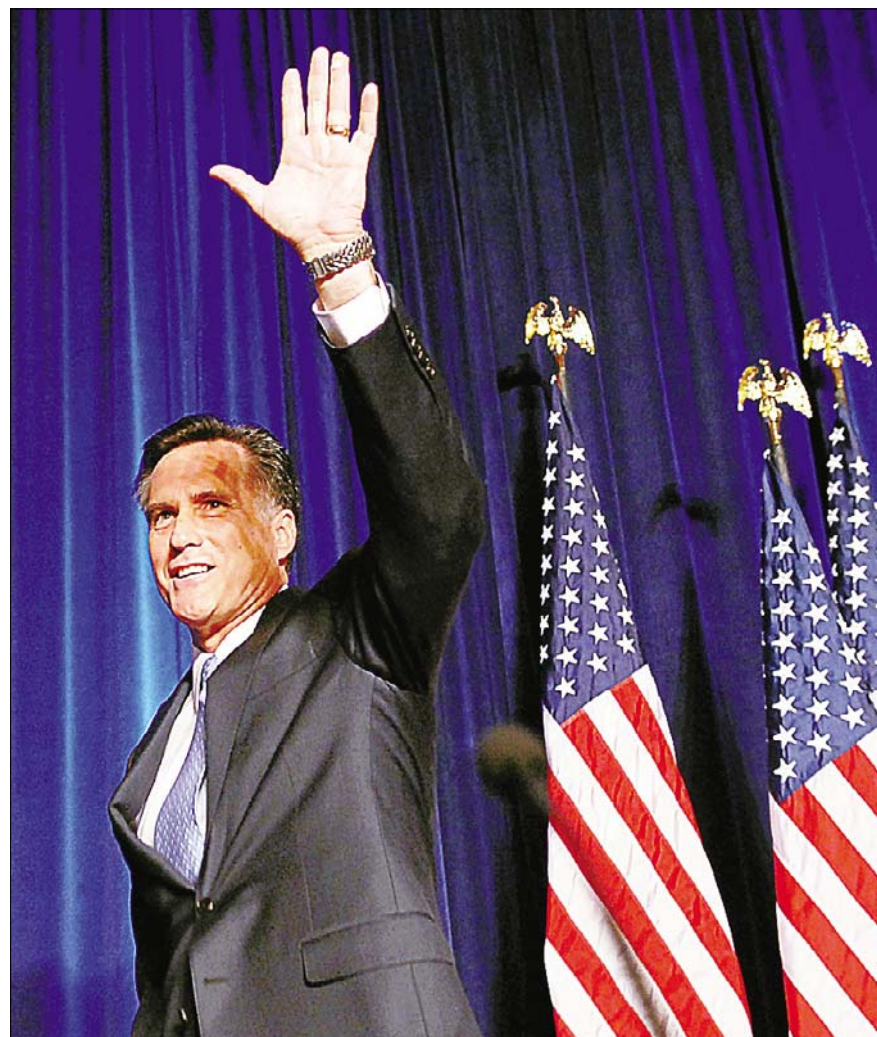
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## Romney Drops Presidential Bid

**'I ... NOW STAND ASIDE':** Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney waves after announcing the suspension of his presidential campaign in Washington on Thursday. Romney said he was giving up his bid for the White House to ensure the Republican Party would be united heading into this summer's convention in St. Paul, Minn. **✦ Almost over:** McCain all but seals GOP nomination | **Page 3**

## Stimulus Plan OK'd In Senate

Lawmakers approve rebates for seniors, disabled veterans

**WASHINGTON** | The Senate passed an economic rescue plan Thursday that would speed \$600 to \$1,200 in rebates to most taxpayers and \$300 checks to low-income people, including disabled veterans and the elderly.

The 81-16 vote capped more than a week of political maneuvering that ended only when majority Democrats dropped their demand that the proposal offer jobless benefits, heating aid for the poor and tax breaks for certain industries. GOP senators blocked those ideas, but agreed to add the rebates for older people and disabled veterans to a \$161 billion measure the House passed last month.

House leaders were expected to act as early as Thursday night to send the measure to President Bush. If the House were to follow suit as expected and President Bush shortly thereafter signs the measure, the rebate checks would be expected to begin arriving in May. The rebates would be based on 2007 tax returns.

"It's our responsibility to pass the strongest bill that we can, and so I think it's tremendous what we'll be able to accomplish," said Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev. "We had to finish this quickly." (AP)

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WHICH DEMOCRAT HAS A BETTER CHANCE OF BEATING MCCAIN IN NOVEMBER? **A** CLINTON **B** OBAMA

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**TODAY:** Partly sunny afternoon with slight breeze; a cloudy evening | **42**

# eyeOpeners

## INSURANCE

### Geico Not on His Side

They say problem gamblers never quit while they're ahead, and one properly insured Oregon man apparently didn't, either. Authorities recovered a stolen antique slot machine worth \$4,000 and arrested the man, who they said asked his wife to help file an insurance claim to cover damage done to his van during the heist. The slot machine was reported stolen in a burglary Monday night in Sutherlin, Ore. The victim's housekeeper—the wife of the thief, who told her the vehicle had been vandalized—filed a police report a day earlier claiming someone had thrown a piece of sheet metal through the window of her parked van. (AP)



## LIGHTS

### Clap On. Clap On.

Sandra Shelton, a spirited 67-year-old widow of Scottsdale, Ariz., has wrangled with her homeowners' association for more than two years over what she calls her "\$80,000 light bulb." She faces more than \$30,000 in unpaid fines and another \$50,000 in legal costs, after she was sued for a bright light that shines in her backyard. She says the lights and cameras are vital to protecting her 45-year-old daughter from a stalker. The association ordered Shelton to shut off the lights. She refused. With no settlement in sight, the association in April 2006 began fining Shelton \$50 per day. So far, the fines have grown to more than \$30,000, but the lights are still on. (AP)



BERND KAMMERER/AP

## PUNCH LINES

### Why Is This Woman Smiling?

We have absolutely no idea! (EXPRESS)

## VIOLENCE

### Low Self-Esteem of Attorney Baffles All

A Georgetown, Ky., public defender who was punched in court by a disgruntled client said Thursday he doesn't blame the man who gave him two black eyes. The disorder in the court, captured on video, happened Monday at Scott County Circuit Court after the

judge refused defendant Peter Hafer's request for a new attorney. Hafer, 30, of Cynthiana, told the judge he didn't trust his court-appointed attorney, Doug Crickmer. As Judge Rob Johnson began to tell Hafer he couldn't choose his public defender, Hafer landed the first punch. "I just couldn't take it anymore, and I just snapped," Hafer said later at the Scott County jail. Hafer hit the attorney several times in the face

and stomach. Hafer was restrained on the ground. Crickmer was admitted to the hospital and released later that day. He said he will not file assault charges. "I certainly don't fault him or blame him or wish him any ill will," Crickmer said Thursday. "I think Mr. Hafer was just frustrated. He had been in jail for some time. ... I think he just got frustrated, fed up, and he just snapped, and I was the nearest target." (AP)



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**NOT FOR KIDS:** Officials at Stillwell Junior High School in West Des Moines, Iowa, have pulled an edition of the student newspaper off the racks because it contains a recipe for hot chocolate with peppermint schnapps that slipped past editors.

# Nation

## In Brief



DAVE WILLIAMS/AP

Zookeeper Chris Hutson holds one of two newly hatched Komodo dragons.

**WICHITA, KAN.**

### Komodo Dragons Apparently Born Without Male Parent

Two Komodo dragons have hatched at the Sedgwick County Zoo, apparently without the fertilization of a male. The dragons, both males, are believed to be the first in North America known to have hatched by parthenogenesis, which occurs naturally in some species. The zoo is having DNA testing done to make sure male sperm was not somehow stored in the female's body. (AP)

**PHOENIX**

### Man Abandoned Attack On Super Bowl in Car Lot

A restaurateur angry at being denied a liquor license threatened to shoot people at the Super Bowl and drove to within sight of the stadium with a rifle and 200 rounds of ammunition before changing his mind, federal authorities said. Kurt William Havelock "waited about a minute and decided he couldn't do this," FBI agent Philip Thorlin testified at a detention hearing. (AP)

# McCain's Nomination Nearly Certain

## Romney exits race after disappointing Super Tuesday results

WASHINGTON | John McCain effectively sealed the Republican presidential nomination on Thursday as chief rival Mitt Romney suspended his faltering campaign. "I must now stand aside, for our party and our country," Romney said.

"If I fight on in my campaign, all the way to the convention, I would

forestall the launch of a national campaign and make it more likely that Senator Clinton or Obama would win. And in this time of war, I simply cannot let my campaign be a part of aiding a surrender to terror," Romney told the Conservative Political Action Conference in Washington.

Romney's decision leaves McCain as the top man standing in the GOP race, with Mike Huckabee and Texas Rep. Ron Paul far

behind in the delegate hunt. It was a remarkable turnaround for McCain, who some seven months ago was barely viable, out of cash and losing staff. The four-term Arizona senator, denied his party's nomination in 2000, was poised to succeed George W. Bush as the GOP standard-bearer.

Within hours of Romney's speech, former Republican National Committee chairman Ken Mehlman gave his endorsement to McCain and urged all members of

the GOP to back his candidacy.

"Our party has had many outstanding candidates this year, but it is now time for Republicans across the country to unite," Mehlman said.

McCain prevailed in most of the Super Tuesday states, moving closer to the 1,191 delegates needed to win the nomination at this summer's convention in St. Paul, Minn. Overall, McCain led with 707 delegates, to 294 for Romney, 195 for Huckabee and Paul at 14. LIZ SIDOTI (AP)

# Global Sweep Hits Reputed Mobsters

## Federal indictment targets members of Gambino crime family

NEW YORK | Authorities carried out one of the largest Mafia take-downs in recent memory Thursday when they charged dozens of reputed members of the Gambino crime family with gangland crimes spanning three decades, including the brutal slaying of a court officer and extortion at a failed NAS-CAR track.

The charges deal another crippling blow to the once-mighty Gambino family, already decimated by prosecutions since its heyday under notorious boss John Gotti.

A federal indictment in Brooklyn named 62 defendants, including the three highest-ranking mem-



Officers guard a police van in New York holding alleged Gambino family associates.

bers of the Gambino family, along with the brother and nephew of the late Gotti.

Most of the suspects were in custody following a series of raids on Thursday morning.

The New York case coincided with a series of raids in Italy targeting alleged members of Mafia families who control drug trafficking between the two sides of the Atlantic. TOM HAYS (AP)

## AG Says Justice Will Not Probe Waterboarding

WASHINGTON | Attorney General Michael Mukasey told the House Judiciary Committee on Thursday that the Justice Department would not investigate whether U.S. interrogators broke the law when waterboarding accused terrorists.



Mukasey

"Whatever was done as part of a CIA program, at the time that it was done, was the subject of a Department of Justice opinion through Office of Legal Counsel — and was found to be permissible under the law as it existed then," Mukasey told the committee. (AP)

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# Nation



**SHOPPING PRIORITIES:** In a possible sign of how shaky the economy has become, Wal-Mart on Thursday said its shoppers are redeeming their holiday gift cards for life necessities — pasta sauce, diapers, laundry detergent — instead of iPods or DVDs.

## Child Found Alive in Twister Debris

### Emergency workers sweep through region devastated by storms

CASALIAN SPRINGS, TENN. | The muddy field was littered with debris after a wave of violent storms: Living room couches, strollers, children's toys. So, when two rescuers came upon a baby, they thought he was a doll.

Then he moved.

"We grabbed hold of his neck [to take a pulse] and he took a breath of air and started crying," said David Harmon, a firefighter from a nearby county who was combing the field for tornado victims.

The boy was found at least 100 yards away from where his family's house had been, possibly lifted by the storm's fierce winds, according to witnesses at the scene on Thursday. There was no trace of exactly where the house stood. His mother, who did not survive, was found in the same field.

In a region devastated by torna-



Kyson, 11 months, is held by his grandmother Kay Stowell at a hospital in Nashville, Tenn. Rescuers found the boy in the same field his dead mother was found.

does that killed at least 57 people as they swept through five states, the infant was a sign of hope. The 11-month old boy, named Kyson, was surrounded by flattened homes, bricks from a blown-apart

post office and snapped trees, a devastating scene similar to so many communities across the South.

The baby's mother, 24-year-old Kerri Stowell, was one of six people killed in the small commu-

nity, said Sumner County Sheriff Bob Barker.

Federal and state emergency teams poured into the hardest-hit

**The boy was found at least 100 yards away from where his family's house had been.**

areas, along with utility workers and insurance claims representatives. Hundreds of homes were demolished across the region.

The twisters killed 32 people in Tennessee, 13 in Arkansas, seven in Kentucky and five in Alabama, emergency officials said. It was one of the 15 worst tornado death tolls since 1950, and the nation's deadliest barrage of tornadoes since 76 people were killed in Pennsylvania and Ohio on May 31, 1985.

BILL POOVEY (AP)

### FLORIDA | UP AND AWAY



**CELESTIAL SHIPMENT:** The space shuttle Atlantis lifts off Thursday at the Kennedy Space Center. The shuttle's crew will deliver a \$2 billion laboratory to the international space station.



**POLITICAL CAPITAL:** Sen. Barack Obama says he has raised \$7.2 million since Super Tuesday, while Sen. Hillary Clinton reported \$6.4 million in new funds. (AP)

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**PEAK PERFORMANCE IN THE SKY:** Israel's air force is considering giving its combat pilots Viagra, after a recent study by Israeli doctors found a link between erectile dysfunction drugs and improved performance at high altitudes, Agence France-Presse reported Thursday.

## World

# WHO: Smoking May Kill 1B by 2100

## Organization unveils worldwide campaign to limit tobacco use

One billion people may die of tobacco-related illness this century, almost all of them in developing countries, the World Health Organization warned Thursday as it rolled out an unprecedented global campaign to limit the spread of smoking.

The effort provides for the first

time a comprehensive look at tobacco use, as well as smoking control and taxation policies, in 179 countries. It also lays out six strategies to reduce tobacco use, many used by rich countries in recent decades, although far from fully deployed even there.

Tobacco use is a risk factor for six of the world's eight leading causes of death and causes about one in every 10 deaths of adults now. That toll is expected to rise steeply, as tobacco companies target new customers,

### GLOBAL FINDINGS

The 329-page report reveals stark contrasts in tobacco use and smoking worldwide:

- In Greece, 59 percent of men smoke cigarettes every day; in Sweden, 15 percent do.
- In Indonesia, 65 percent of men and 4 percent of women do.
- Nearly 2/3 of the world's smokers live in 10 countries, including China and India.

particularly women, in low-income countries, WHO officials said.

"What we're saying is that we don't want to let that happen," said Douglas Bettcher, director of the WHO initiative. "We want to see the operating environment of the tobacco companies become as difficult as possible in the near future."

While WHO cannot force countries to make tobacco control a priority, it hopes to convince them that such efforts are cheap and beneficial. DAVID BROWN (THE WASHINGTON POST)



Condoleezza Rice, left, and Hamid Karzai speak in Kabul on Thursday.

## Rice Notes Progress In Kabul

### Americans, British portray Afghan war as worthy of support

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN | The U.S. and Britain, the nations with the most troops fighting in Afghanistan, made a renewed push Thursday to portray the war as winnable and worthy of international support despite a struggle to get more allies to commit forces.

On a visit here with British Foreign Secretary David Miliband, U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice emphasized the improvements that Afghanistan has seen since the U.S.-led invasion in 2001 toppled the radical Taliban regime.

And U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates, at a meeting of NATO allies in Lithuania, said that despite fissures in the alliance over sharing burdens in Afghanistan, "I don't think there is a crisis."

The diplomatic efforts by two of President Bush's top advisers demonstrated the importance of Afghanistan's future in the struggle against Islamic extremism. ANNE GEARAN (AP)

## In Brief

### LONDON

#### U.K. Approves Extradition Of Terror Suspect to U.S.

Britain on Thursday approved the extradition of an Islamic preacher who is accused of trying to establish a terrorist training camp in Oregon, a spokesman said. Abu Hamza al-Masri — who has one eye and has hooks for hands — once led a London mosque that was attended by Sept. 11 conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui. (AP)



al-Masri

### N'DJAMENA, CHAD

#### Chad Imposes Curfew; President Calls for EU Aid

Chad's government imposed a dusk-to-dawn curfew Thursday and said it was hunting in the capital for coup "plotters and their accomplices" who were in hiding. President Idriss Deby, meanwhile, called for the swift deployment of a European peacekeeping force. (AP)

### VIENNA, AUSTRIA

#### OSCE Refuses to Monitor Upcoming Russian Election

The Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe said Thursday it will not observe Russia's presidential election next month. The head of the OSCE's election monitoring arm said Russia's time frame prevented monitors from observing all of the election process. (AP)

### HONG KONG | YEAR OF THE RAT BEGINS



**NEW YEAR RITES:** Worshippers place incense sticks in a pot at a temple in Hong Kong on Thursday, the first day of the Lunar New Year — the Year of the Rat. Throughout China, people gathered and set off fireworks in honor of the holiday.

## Australia Decries Japan Whale Hunt

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA | Australia's government on Thursday released graphic pictures of Japanese hunters harpooning whales and dragging their bleeding carcasses onto a ship near Antarctica, calling it evidence of the "indiscriminate" slaughter of the animals.

Japan denied one of the photographs showed a mother and its calf



Whales are pulled onto a Japanese ship after being harpooned at sea.

being killed, and accused Australian officials and media of spreading propaganda that could damage ties between the two nations.

The images were the latest salvo in the new Australian government's stepped-up campaign against Japan's annual whale hunt, which resumed recently after being interrupted by environmental activists who chased the fleet through icy waters in the Antarctic. (AP)

### HEARSAY | ZIMBABWE

"I find it insulting to the intelligence and the integrity of our people. ... I am nobody's tool and nobody's agent."

—SIMBA MAKONI, FORMER ZIMBABWE FINANCE MINISTER, REJECTING ACCUSATIONS THAT HIS DECISION TO RUN FOR PRESIDENT WAS PROMPTED BY THE WEST.



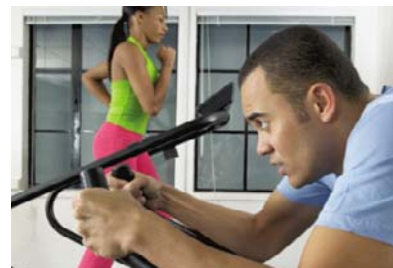
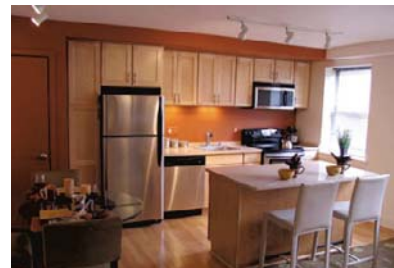
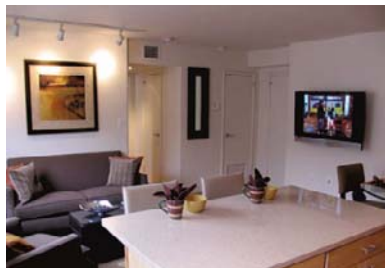
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## World

# Bhutto Mourning Ends in Pakistan

**Police arrest 2 more suspects in the leader's Dec. 27 assassination**

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN | Police arrested two more suspects Thursday in the suicide attack that killed opposition leader Benazir Bhutto, and thousands of her followers gathered at her tomb to mark the end of mourning for her and to launch her party's campaign for this month's parliamentary election.

Interior Ministry spokesman Javed Iqbal Cheema said the two suspects were picked up in Rawalpindi, where Bhutto died in a gun and bomb attack Dec. 27.

He declined to say whether the two men were key figures in the assassination.

Last month, police in northwestern Pakistan arrested two other suspects, including a 15-year-old boy who was alleged to have been part of a backup suicide squad assigned to kill Bhutto if the primary assassins failed.

The latest arrests were announced



Pakistani mourners pray during a ceremony to mark the end of the 40-day mourning period for slain opposition leader Benazir Bhutto in Peshawar on Thursday.

as a team of British detectives from Scotland Yard returned to Pakistan to report the findings from their investigation of the assassina-

tion. Their report is expected to shed light on exactly how Bhutto died — amid confusion over whether she was killed by a gunshot or by the

impact of a suicide bombing.

British diplomats are expected to release a summary of the report Friday.

President Pervez Musharraf invited Scotland Yard to conduct its own inquiry after Bhutto supporters alleged the government may have been involved in her death.

U.S. and Pakistani officials believe the assassination was masterminded by Baitullah Mehsud, an al-Qaeda-linked commander based in South Waziristan.

About 10,000 mourners were at Bhutto's tomb in the southern province of Sindh to mark the end of the mourning period Thursday. Crowds filed inside the Bhutto family's grand marble mausoleum, where they showered petals on her grave. Weeping women recited passages from the Quran.

Bhutto's husband, Asif Ali Zardari, ringed by bodyguards, delivered a brief speech in which he described his wife as a martyr who fought to change "the system of exploitation" in impoverished Pakistan.

ROBERT H. REID (AP)



Relatives of a Hamas militant killed by Israeli forces mourn in Gaza Thursday.

## 7 Palestinians Killed in Gaza

JERUSALEM | Israeli forces on Thursday killed seven Palestinians, including a schoolteacher, in its campaign to stop daily rocket barrages from the Gaza Strip, while adding new economic pressure — cutting electricity to Gaza by a symbolic 1 percent.

Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak vowed even harsher military action if Gaza militants persist with firing rockets at southern Israel.

The first cutback on the flow of electricity to Gaza was carried out Thursday evening, Defense Ministry spokesman Shlomo Dror said. (AP)

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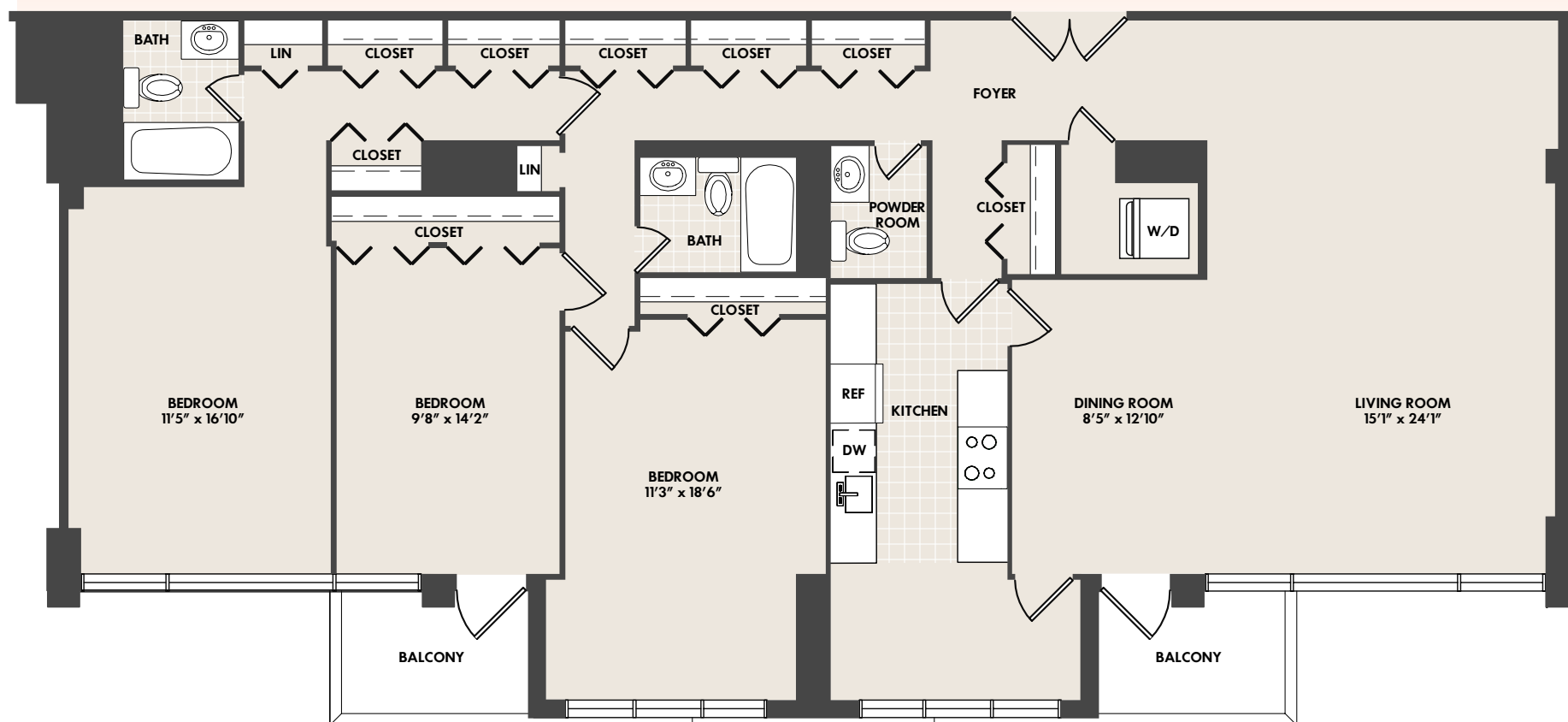


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# Congress Backs D.C. Gun Owners

**Bipartisan majorities in House, Senate sign brief in landmark case**

WASHINGTON | Bipartisan majorities in both the House and the Senate are backing gun owners in a landmark Supreme Court case. The court next month will hear arguments in a challenge to the District of Columbia's ban on handguns, the most important gun rights case at the Supreme Court in 70 years.

Fifty-five senators and 250 representatives have signed onto a brief that urges the justices to strike down the ban and assert that the Second Amendment gives individuals the right to own guns for their protection. "The Supreme Court has the perfect case to affirm ... a Second Amendment right to own a gun for self-defense," Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, said at a Washington news conference Thursday. Nine Democrats in the Senate

and 68 in the House joined much larger Republican contingents in signing the brief, which is expected to be filed Friday. The main issue before the justices is whether the Second Amendment protects an individual's right to own guns or instead merely sets forth the collective right of states to maintain militias. The Bush administration also supports individual gun rights. But the administration said governments still may impose reasonable restrictions on gun ownership

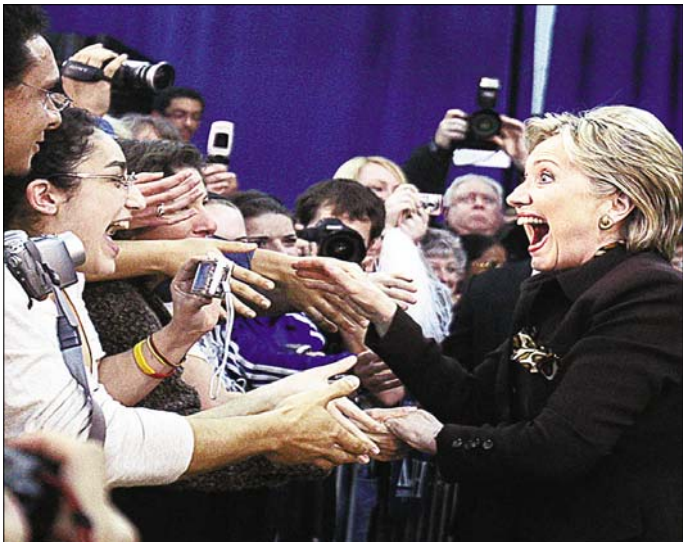
and asked the justices to send the case back to lower courts without deciding whether the handgun ban fails that test. Hutchison and Sen. Jon Tester, D-Mont., who also signed the brief, agreed that some restrictions are valid, citing their support for banning assault weapons. But they said the court should declare the handgun ban unconstitutional and set a clear limit beyond which governments may not go to limit gun ownership. (AP)

# D.C. Train Collision Injures 7

**Locomotive runs into commuter train, rear wheels forced off track**

WASHINGTON | A locomotive hit a commuter train at Union Station on Thursday, knocking the train's rear wheels off the track and injuring seven people, officials said. MARC Train 419 from Baltimore was hit from behind about 10 a.m., dislodging two rear wheels, said Cheron Wicker, a spokeswoman for the Maryland commuter service. The train remained upright. Amtrak spokeswoman Karina Romero said the MARC train was stopped when a locomotive used to move the commuter train to a maintenance facility came in too fast and hit the train while passengers were disembarking. Both pieces of MARC equipment are operated by Amtrak, officials said. Seven people were taken to the hospital after complaining of minor head and neck injuries, District of Columbia fire department spokesman Alan Etter said. No major service delays were expected after the accident, officials said. (AP)

ARLINGTON, VA. | CLINTON COURTS YOUNG VOTERS



**HIGH SCHOOL DUTIFUL:** residential hopeful Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., greets supporters as she enters a rally at Washington-Lee High School in Arlington, Va., Thursday. Virginia holds its primary Feb. 12.

# Newseum's Home Will Open April 11

WASHINGTON | The new \$450 million home of a journalism museum called the Newseum will open on April 11, allowing it to lure in some of the thousands of tourists who will be in town for the famed cherry blossoms, officials said Thursday. Admission will be free on opening day; after that, it will cost \$20 for adults. The new building on Pennsylvania Avenue has 250,000 square feet of exhibit space, 15 theaters, 14 major galleries and two broadcast studios. School groups from the Wash-



The Newseum's \$450 million Pennsylvania Avenue location opens April 11. The new building on Pennsylvania Avenue has 250,000 square feet of exhibit space, 15 theaters, 14 major galleries and two broadcast studios. School groups from the Wash- ington area will get free tours of the Newseum for the first year, thanks to a sponsorship by The Washington Post. SARAH KARUSH (AP)

## The Lotteries

Thursday, Feb. 7

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Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	7-8-5
Mid-day DC 4	5-9-6-7
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	0-0-9-7
Rolling Cash Five (Wed.)	16-17-18-26-33
Daily 6 (Wed.)	5-13-16-23-36-37 Bonus: 11
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	1-15-23-25-37 (16)
MARYLAND	
Mid-day Pick 3	7-4-6
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	0-2-5
Mid-day Pick 4	7-1-5-0
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	7-9-7-2

Match 5 (Wed.)	1-10-25-32-35 Bonus: 8
Lotto (Wed.)	5-7-14-15-17-34
VIRGINIA	
Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.)	4-1-2
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	7-0-3
Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.)	0-6-9-8
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	7-8-7-6
Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.)	1-4-5-17-20
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	1-3-6-9-27
Win for Life (Wed.)	7-21-22-23-30-36
MULTI-STATE GAMES	
Powerball (Wed.)	3-5-12-42-43 (5)
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# Money

**671** The amount, in millions of dollars, drugmaker Merck will pay to resolve allegations that it overcharged state and federal governments for the drugs Vioxx, Zocor and Pepcid, U.S. prosecutors said Thursday.

## The Washington Post Names New Publisher

Katharine Weymouth to head new division overseeing Web, print

WASHINGTON | Katharine Weymouth, the granddaughter of late Washington Post Co. chairman Katharine Graham, has been named chief executive of Washington Post Media, a new division that will oversee The Washington Post newspaper and its online component, washingtonpost.com, the company said Thursday.

Weymouth, 41, will also serve as the newspaper's publisher, the fifth member of the Graham newspaper dynasty to hold that title since her great-grandfather, Eugene Meyer, bought The Post at

a bankruptcy sale in 1933. She is the niece of Post Co. Chairman Donald E. Graham and the daughter of Newsweek senior editor Lally Weymouth and architect Yann Weymouth.



Weymouth

Weymouth succeeds Boissieu Jones Jr., 61, who has been Post publisher since 2000.

"While it is humbling to follow in the footsteps of my ancestors, it is also very exciting," Weymouth said. "I will do my best to honor their legacy and uphold the tradition they built of journalistic excellence supported by a first-rate business operation."

FRANK AHRENS (THE WASHINGTON POST)

### Market Action

#### New York Stock Exchange

##### Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Cryolife	8.13	+1.38	+20.4
Gartner	17.25	+2.48	+16.8
StageStrs	13.66	+1.93	+16.5
Americdt	13.74	+1.75	+14.6
99 Cents	8.26	+1.00	+13.8

##### Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Idearc	11.56	-3.66	-24.0
RH Donl	21.95	-5.42	-19.8
Gotchk	2.12	-.45	-17.5
SpectBrds	3.90	-.68	-14.8
Griffon	9.61	-1.37	-12.5

#### Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.23	5.23
3-month disc	4.76	4.81
2-year	4.68	4.64
10-year	4.67	4.68
30-year	4.83	4.86

#### NASDAQ Stock Market

##### Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
ValenceTch	2.03	+.54	+36.2
Isramc	38.03	+8.03	+26.8
Pwrlntg n	27.12	+5.69	+26.6
PC Mall	9.85	+1.80	+22.4
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##### Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
OrionEn n	8.51	-6.39	-42.9
SelCmfrt	4.94	-2.21	-30.9
EdgePet	4.41	-1.96	-30.8
CorpExc	40.14	-11.68	-22.5
Synaloy	13.05	-3.39	-20.6

#### Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5153	.5102	.5078
Canadian Dollar	1.0117	1.0046	1.1852
European Euro	.6916	.6836	.7688
Japanese Yen	107.42	106.58	120.66
Mexican Peso	10.7753	10.8193	10.9677
Taiwanese Dollar	32.00	32.00	33.03

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
+46.90	+14.28	+10.46
+0.38	+0.63	+0.79
12247.00	2293.03	1336.91

#### Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AbtLab	58.10	+.37	+3.5
Allergan s	67.31	+.59	+4.8
AstraZen	38.72	-2.43	-9.6
BarrPhm	51.45	-.12	-3.1
BrMySq	23.34	-.48	-11.0
Cephln	63.53	+.28	-11.5
ForestLab	41.38	-.13	+13.5
Hospira	41.38	+.31	-3.0
JohnJn	62.81	-.24	-5.8
LillyEli	51.22	-.18	-4.1
Merck	45.70	-.01	-21.4
Pfizer	22.67	+.08	-.3
SchergPl	19.92	-.45	-25.2
WarnerChil	16.86	+.01	-4.9
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**ICE-BREAKER:** Bartender Jim Hewes at the Willard InterContinental's Round Robin Bar witnesses small talk at work every day.

# Say Something

The weather is just one place to start in making small talk

IN SUNDAY SOURCE | "It's cold outside today, isn't it?"

"Yes! It's frigid!"

"Makes me wistful for spring."

"Me, too. I love warm weather."

Well, duh. Who doesn't? But any kind of weather, even the worst of it, has an upside: conversation fodder. Call it what you will — chitchat, idle banter, cocktail party conversation — but small talk is ubiqui-

tous. It's a staple of happy hours, sure, but it's also invoked in queues, on chairlifts and airplanes, in job interviews and at networking functions. It's a necessary step toward talking a bigger game.

It can also be maddeningly mundane. Niceties about the weather? Come on. So, what makes light conversation good conversation? And how can those of us who are less silver-tongued learn not to sweat the small stuff?

There's a way? Do tell.

"It's fine to talk about the weather."

Eh? This is not what we'd hoped

to hear from Debra Fine, author of "The Fine Art of Small Talk."

"People are looking for the perfect thing to say," she says, "but most of us perfectionists never come up with the perfect icebreaker."

## for more ...

**IN SUNDAY SOURCE**

Find more advice on the art of small talk, plus some definite rules about the dos and don'ts of chitchat.

**IN The Washington Post**

Hence, weather. It's a commonality, Fine says. So are Britney Spears ("Tragic, isn't it?"), traffic ("Brutal, as always") and the fate of the Nationals ("Will they ever hit the big time?"). If the goal of small talk is to make the other person comfortable with you us, agreeable topics are ideal.

"Focus on something that can put you on the same level as the person," says Jim Hewes, who has tended bar at the Willard InterContinental hotel's Round Robin Bar since it reopened in 1986. "If the TV is on and the football game's on and you say, 'Go, Redskins,' and the guy at the bar says, 'Yeah, I love the Redskins,' then all of a sudden you've established common ground."

Preparing a handful of talking points alleviates one of small talk's biggest discomforts: What do you say next? The icebreaker is one thing; keeping the conversation going is another.

When in doubt, ask questions and listen. Attentiveness is flattery in the highest degree. Smart follow-up questions show you're interested and help the conversation flow.

Above all, experts say, don't panic when there are pauses. When you meet someone, such lulls are inevitable and, chances are, the other person feels equally self-conscious.

At parties, of course, there is a delightful antidote to conversational awkwardness: alcohol. Booze has its limitations (slurry talk is not small talk), but it also presents a strategic opportunity. At cocktail parties and other such events, experts say, it's smart to stand near the bar or the appetizer table. There's a constant flow of people and built-in commonality.

Food is undoubtedly one of the easier — and tastier — entrees into conversation. Standing near the food table not only occupies you (hey, it's impolite to talk with food in your mouth), but it also gives you an easy excuse to chat when the next person comes by to grab some shrimp cocktail.

It isn't always easy, comfortable or interesting, but aficionados believe that small talk can provide big gains. The point of the trite topics is to unearth topics on which to connect, and those connections could play out in business, romance or your social life — who knows?

And everyone talks about the weather. Lovely, isn't it? JULIA FELDMEIER (SPECIAL TO THE WASHINGTON POST)

## 5 more reasons to read

THESE STORIES AND MORE THIS SUNDAY



### North to Alaska

Want to get away? How about a rafting trip through the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, where you're 175 miles away from the nearest road? **TRAVEL**

### Fictional Love

Short stories by Julia Alvarez, Stuart Dybek, Walter Kirn, Julie Orringer and last year's fiction contest winner.

**THE MAGAZINE**



### Second Sight

"Jericho", the canceled CBS series about a post-holocaust Kansas town, is being revived, thanks to an outpouring of fan support. We report on the drama's comeback. **TV WEEK**

### How Depressing

You see the iconic photo of the migrant mother, drawn and tired, with three children clinging, and you ask: Could that happen here? **STYLE & ARTS**

### Money Thoughts

As Valentine's Day approaches, let's turn our thoughts to money. When you get married, you're not only entering a romantic relationship, but also a financial partnership. **BUSINESS**



# Weekend <sup>Sports</sup>

## REDSKINS

**Dropout:** Giants coordinator Steve Spagnuolo is no longer in the running for Redskins coach. Does that make Fassel a shoo-in? | 16



## TV Lineup



DeShawn Stevenson and the Wizards are at Denver and Phoenix this weekend.

## friday

**7 P.M.** The Capitals took over the Southeast Division this week. now, they host the Hurricanes and give them a chance to take it back. CSN

**7 P.M.** The Terps women struggled against Virginia Tech earlier this week. They host Virginia on Friday. CSN

**10:30 P.M.** After five straight losses, can the Wizards defeat Carmelo, A.I. and the Nuggets in Denver? ESPN

## saturday

**12 P.M.** Notre Dame looks for revenge against Marquette after an embarrassing 92-66 loss to the Eagles earlier in the season. ESPN

**1 P.M.** Boston College, on a five-game losing streak, tries to give the Blue Devils their first ACC loss. CBS

**8 P.M.** Third-best in the ACC, the Terps host N.C. State, which is nipping at their heels. Ch. 20

**9 P.M.** The Hoyas, who have just one conference loss this year, have a tough game at Louisville. ESPN

## sunday

**1 P.M.** The Rangers come to Washington to take on the Capitals. CSN

**4:30 P.M.** With a memorable year and a surprising Super Bowl, the NFL season comes to a close with the Pro Bowl in Honolulu. FOX

**6:30 P.M.** After suffering a tough loss to rival No. 2 Duke, will UNC be in trouble against Clemson? FSN

**9:30 P.M.** The Wizards are one of the first teams to play Phoenix since the Suns traded for Shaq. ESPN

# The Face of the NHL

With 46 goals, Caps' young superstar makes his case for NHL MVP

**CAPITALS** | Scoring four goals and setting up another after breaking his nose and taking a stick to the face in a 5-4 overtime win — forever trumping the Gordie Howe Hat Trick — earned Alex Ovechkin considerable press.

His devotion to the game and his continuous improvement — his 46 goals already match his total last season — earned Ovechkin a \$124 million contract.

And the fact that the Washington Capitals awoke Thursday morning atop the NHL's Southeast Division two months after propping up the entire league just two months ago may earn the Russian superstar the MVP award.

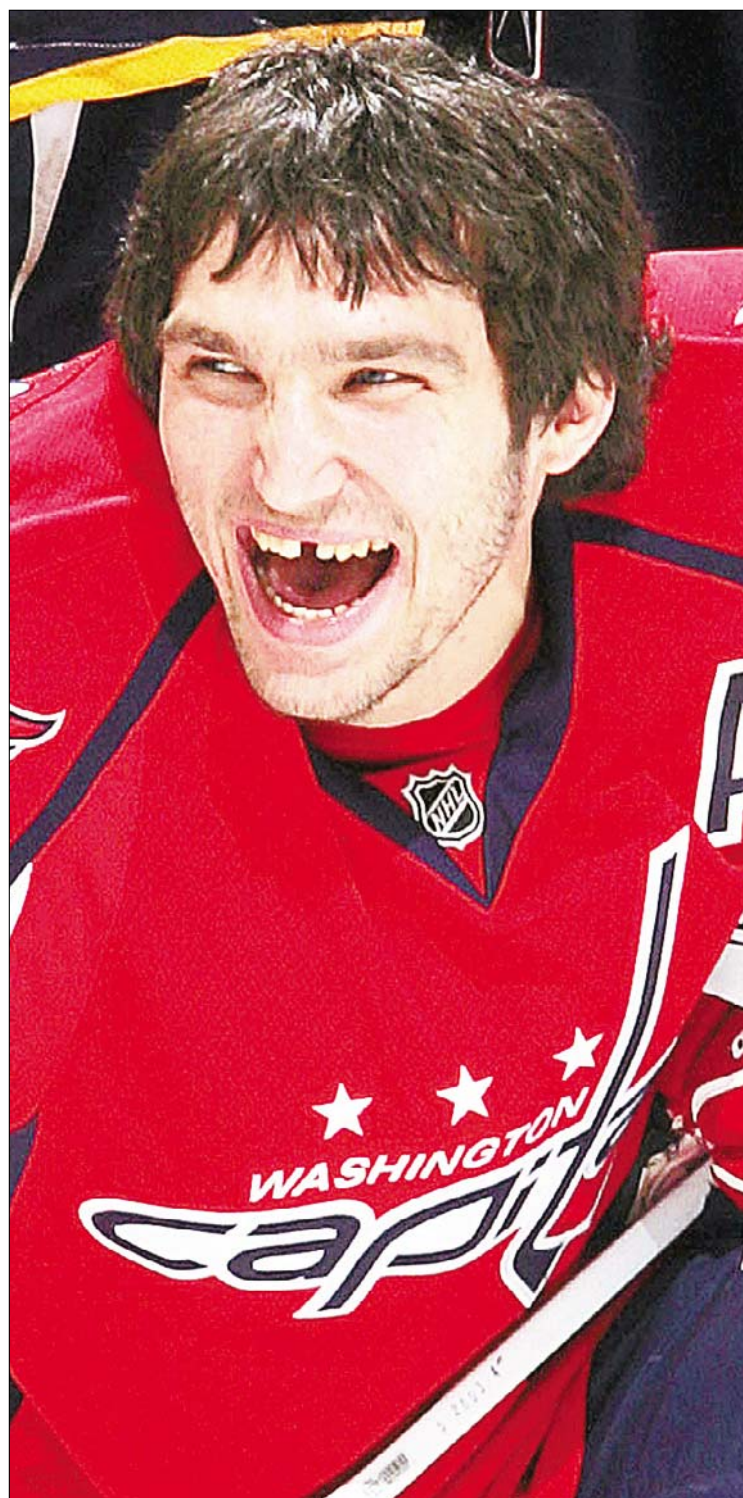
Move over, Sidney Crosby. The beaten yet always smiling mug of the Caps' third-year talisman is the new

**“Hitting people, passing, scoring — I don't know what else forwards could do.”**

VIKTOR KOZLOV, CAPITALS FORWARD

face of the NHL, and he has taken his game and his team to unprecedented heights in the past few weeks. He scored in six straight contests in mid-January, took a break with two goals in the All-Star game and has seven in his past four. That includes the winning goals in the Caps' 4-3 victories at Columbus and Philadelphia this week.

Ovechkin leads the NHL in goals (by seven), points (with 73), game-



Alex Ovechkin has brought his team from worst to first. The Capitals' superstar has scored 46 goals so far this season, seven more than anyone else in the NHL.

winners and shots.

He scored 28.8 percent of his team's goals and has been held pointless in just four games since New Year's as the Caps have gone 11-5-0. They host Carolina on Friday and the Rangers on Sunday afternoon, a playoff berth now very much there for the taking.

## NO. 1 STUNNERS

- The Capitals moved into first place on Wednesday, just two months after coach Bruce Boudreau took over a last-place team with a 6-14-1 record.
- As of Thursday, the Caps had a one-point lead in the Southeast division, which they last won in '01.
- The division title might be the only route to the postseason. The Caps' 57 points were good for ninth place in the East, one spot out of the playoffs.
- Washington has not lost consecutive games in regulation since Nov. 21, the only team to do that.

“Alex's game is excellent — excellent,” Caps winger and compatriot Viktor Kozlov said. “Hitting people, passing, scoring — I don't know what else forwards could do.”

Whether the Caps (26-24-5) can stay in first place — Thursday was the latest they'd topped the division since 2003 — may come down to whether Ovechkin is doing too much. Alexander Semin's output has slowed in recent games, and right now the Caps' second-leading goal scorer is defenseman Mike Green (14).

“[Ovechkin] is an amazing person, and, obviously, we've got to find someone else to score to help him out,” coach Bruce Boudreau said. “He amazes me every day. But I mean, again, I hope he continues.”

BRIAN STRAUS



**HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL | Reality Bites** A prep football player who set up a news conference to announce that he was going to play football at Cal and then claimed he was duped into believing he was recruited admitted he made up the story. Kevin Hart, a 6-foot-5, 290-pound offensive lineman, offered a broad apology in a statement. Hart said he had wanted to play football at a Division I school “more than anything.” “When I realized that wasn't going to happen, I made up what I wanted to be reality,” Hart said. (AP)



# What's in Ewing's Name?

Hoyas forward is a star, but in a different way than his famous father

**HOYAS HOOPS** | By now, Patrick Ewing Jr.'s last name is almost incidental at Georgetown.

He doesn't average 15 points, 10 rebounds and three blocks per game like his father did. Nor will the younger Ewing win Big East Player of the Year once, let alone twice like the former Hoyas legend. In fact, this No. 33 doesn't even start.

Yet, in his own way, Ewing has become as invaluable to his team as his name would imply.

Some days he will score — like his career high 16-point performance against Seton Hall in last Saturday's win — while in other games, Ewing Jr. will excel on the boards and on defense, such as in Monday's victory over South Florida.

More than anything, though, he always provides the type of effort coach John Thompson III is looking for. "The energy he brings is infectious," Thompson said, noting Ewing's value even as he sat out a season two years ago after transferring to Georgetown. "He



The always-energetic Patrick Ewing Jr. is willing to do whatever is asked of him.

won games when he wasn't even on the court."

On Saturday, Ewing's contributions will be more tangible as the

No. 6 Hoyas (19-2, 9-1) will try to extend their winning streak to six games while visiting Louisville.

Ewing says he is happy to do

**BIG GAME IN THE BIG EAST**  
Ten-point win or not, the Hoyas' initial intensity was in doubt Monday against South Florida:

→ The Big East's best team trailed the league's worst 16-6 seven minutes in. It's doubtful motivation will be hard to find Saturday at Louisville (17-6, 7-3), the other preseason favorite to win the league and which sits just two games behind first-place Georgetown. "We don't need any speeches from coach Thompson," John Thompson III said about the game at Freedom Hall. (EXPRESS)

whatever is needed each game. "I'm just out there having fun," he said.

Thompson thinks there is more to it than that. A key contributor on last year's Final Four squad, Ewing has consciously been more active during this, his second and final Big East season. Just like his father, Ewing won't settle for second place.

"He's a senior; he's been through it," Thompson said. "He understands there aren't that many games left to be played. He has that urgency."

MATT SWENSON (EXPRESS)

## Swengali

**TERPS HOOPS** | BY MATT SWENSON



Gary Williams has the Terps playing well.

## Thanks to Gary, Terps Are Good

**GARY WILLIAMS BROUGHT** Maryland's basketball program back from the dead, reached two consecutive Final Fours and won the NCAA championship in 2002.

Yet the coach, who collected his 600th career victory Wednesday night, may be in the midst of his best coaching job.

Less than two months ago, his Terrapins were not a very good team. Maryland lost three consecutive games in the middle of December — not exactly an embarrassment, except that two of those defeats came against Ohio and American.

At that low point, the former Maryland point guard from 1964 to 1968 made a major shift in strategy to salvage the season.

Talented but erratic point guard Greivis Vasquez was moved to a secondary role on offense as Williams realized that Maryland needed to rely more on big men James Gist and Bambale Osby to succeed.

Using a more physical style than in years past, the Terrapins (15-8) revived their NCAA tournament hopes by knocking off then-No. 1 North Carolina on Jan. 19. The improved play was readily apparent in the next game, too, in a close loss to Duke. Three consecutive wins later, including Williams' 600th at Boston College Wednesday, Maryland is now third in the ACC and has the look of a team ready to dance in March.

Once again, Williams has resurrected Maryland.

# Vasquez Turns Passion Into Points

Terps point guard has calmed down and is playing better ball

**TERPS HOOPS** | Greivis Vasquez's emotions — his happiness, his anger, his everything — were never far from the surface, and maybe that was the problem.

Certainly, that was the case in early December, when the Maryland guard fouled out and his teammates abruptly turned a four-point against Boston College lead into a three-point loss. Playing with three fouls, he picked up his fourth while defending a shot. At the sound of the referee's whistle, Vasquez screamed, then wildly slapped the padded back of the basket.

Another whistle. Technical foul.

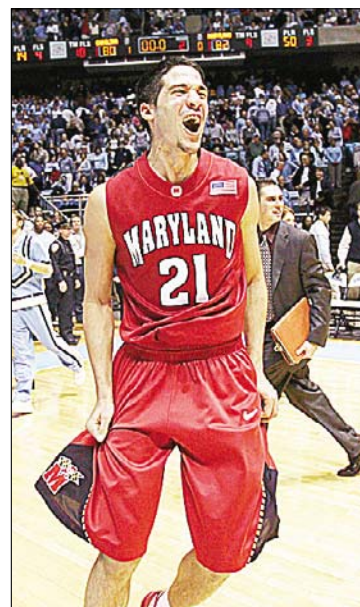
Take a seat.

"I think that kind of settled him down a little bit," teammate Eric Hayes said. "Now there's a little bit more thinking before he reacts."

Vasquez's passion is one of his appealing qualities, but it's a fine line separating passion and recklessness, and the sophomore from Venezuela is finally learning to walk it. Lately, there are fewer primal screams, fewer exhortations directed at the crowd, fewer frivolous outbursts.

"I'm pacing myself a little bit," he said, "because I'm playing a lot of minutes and guarding the best player on the other team. It's hard."

Indeed, Vasquez spends more than 36 of the game's 40 minutes on the court, more than all but one other Atlantic Coast Conference player. Give back those 10 minutes he lost



Greivis Vasquez plays 36 minutes per game and always has plenty of energy.

and he'd have logged more minutes than anyone in the league.

Until he fouled out against BC, Vasquez was averaging 15.8 points per game. In the 13 games since, he's averaged more than 18 points per game, including 25 points Wednesday when the Terrapins (15-8, 5-2 in the ACC) avenged the earlier loss to BC and gave coach Gary Williams his 600th career victory.

The Terrapins have won five of their last six games and are now third in the ACC going into Saturday's home game against North Carolina State (15-7, 4-4).

"I've got to play harder at the end," Vasquez said. "When you're playing in the ACC, you've got to get everything out. You've got to play hard and give it everything you've got."

DEREK TURNER



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# And Then There Were 3?

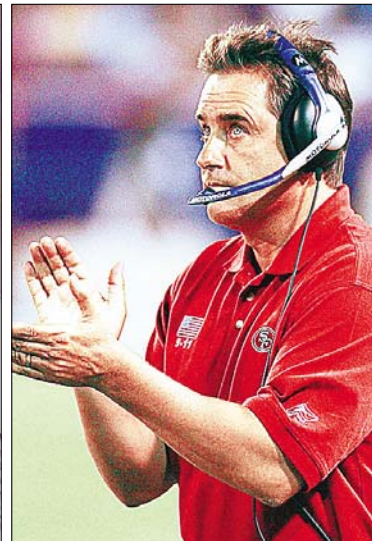
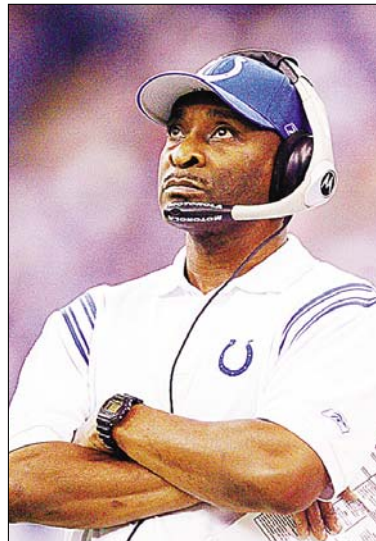
## Redskins mull options with Spagnuolo out of the running for coach

REDSKINS | With the rising star from the Super Bowl out of the running, the Washington Redskins spent Thursday planning their next move.

Will their new coach be Jim Fassel? Ron Meeks? Steve Mariucci?

Or how about another mystery candidate? After all, owner Dan Snyder has kept the process well under wraps since Joe Gibbs resigned Jan. 8. At least two contenders, Fassel and Pete Carroll, weren't known to be on Snyder's list until more than a week after their initial interviews.

And, of course, it was a mystery candidate who got the job four years ago, when Gibbs emerged out



Jim Fassel, Ron Meeks and Steve Mariucci seem to be the top three candidates as the Redskins' coaching search moves forward.

of nowhere after Snyder had higher-profile talks with other prospects.

One certainty is that the next

Redskins coach will not be New York Giants defensive coordinator Steve Spagnuolo, who withdrew his name from consideration Thursday,

citing his desire to remain with the Super Bowl champions.

"His heart is in New York City," Spagnuolo's agent, Bob LaMonte,

told The Associated Press. "He loves the ownership. He loves the players. He feels he has to stay there."

The Giants promptly rewarded Spagnuolo with a three-year, \$6 million contract.

Meanwhile, Snyder spent the day conferring with advisers to consider his options following a month's worth of interviews, a person familiar with the selection process told The AP. The owner has said he hopes to have a coach in place by the end of the week.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the club has preferred to keep details of its search private.

Fassel, a former Giants coach, and Meeks, the Colts' defensive coordinator, voiced approval of Snyder's decision to hire Jim Zorn to run the offense and promote Greg Blache to take charge of the defense. Mariucci, twice a head coach, had one interview last week in Arizona, putting him behind Fassel and Meeks on the list of favorites.

JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

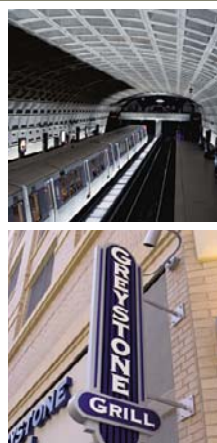
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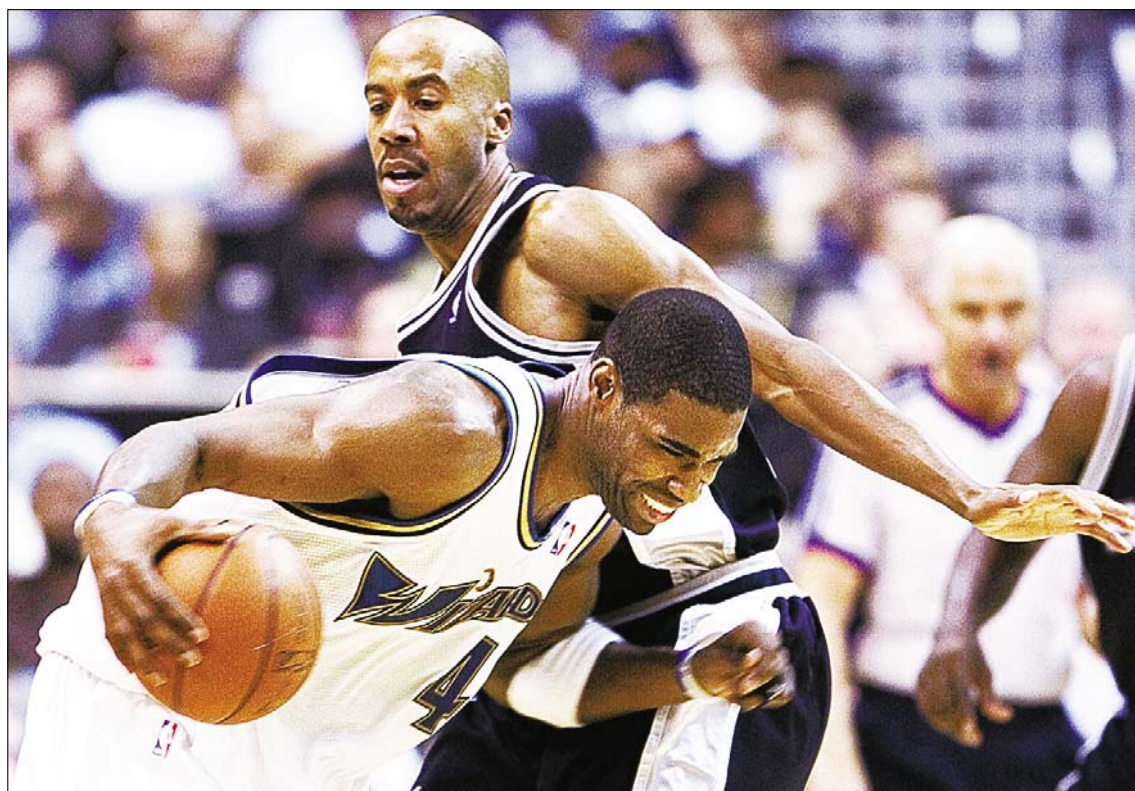
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**GETTING UGLY:** Forward Antawn Jamison and the Wizards lost to the Spurs on Wednesday, the team's fifth straight defeat.

# Westward Bound

With some starters still out, it's a tough time for a 4-game road trip

**WIZARDS** | Going west is an American tradition. Unfortunately for the Wizards, their quest appears to offer more danger than treasure.

Starting Friday night, Washington (24-24) plays four games in six days against Western Conference opponents that they'd rather not see at this point in the season. The road trip's timing could hardly be worse, considering the recent injury to Caron Butler that has bench players logging heavy minutes. Washington takes five-game losing streak into Friday's game at Denver.

"You're playing some good teams who play well at home," forward Antawn Jamison said. "This is a great stretch to test the character of this team."

The Wizards have arguably over-achieved up to this point, and the players don't want to throw away their position in the middle of the Eastern Conference playoff picture before their stars return to the lineup.

"We've done well up to the last few games, and we definitely don't

## TOUGH BREAK

Caron Butler has missed four of the last six games with a hip flexor strain, and his status for the upcoming road trip is still up in the air:



→ Wizards coach Eddie Jordan says the All-Star forward will accompany the team on the trip, meaning he could be back on the court in the next week. But his absence makes the prospect of winning on the road more tenuous: Washington is just 7-24 all-time when the man they call "Tough Juice" misses games. "You can't worry about it. It's life in the big leagues," Jordan said. "We've got to make sure that we're prepared to do things and manage the game to make sure we stay in the games on the road." **ERIC BRANDNER**

want our efforts [in the first half of the season] to be wasted with a poor stretch here," guard Roger Mason said. "We've definitely got a tough schedule, but we're capable of winning any game."

After Denver (29-19), Washington visits Phoenix (34-15) on Sunday and then flies overnight to Oakland for a game at Golden State (29-19) on Monday. They cap the trip Wednesday in Los Angeles against the Clippers (15-31), the only losing squad they'll face.

The Wizards are 8-9 against the Western Conference this year, but 13 of those games have come at Verizon Center. Washington is

a combined 7-13 over the last five years in the buildings it will visit during this road trip. However, the Wizards played most of those games with a full roster, including a memorable overtime victory in Phoenix last season in which Gilbert Arenas scored 54 points.

"We always say, 'You never know where wins come from,'" Wizards coach Eddie Jordan said. "When you go on a road trip, you can win at Phoenix. You can eke out a win in Denver."

"If you work hard enough and you stay organized and you follow the game plan ... you never know what can happen." **ERIC BRANDNER**



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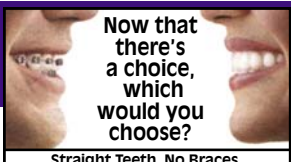
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# Weekend Sports



Phil Mickelson struggled a little bit on Thursday and finished five back at minus-1.

## Mickelson Is Out of Focus

Tiger takes spotlight  
to start the year, but  
Phil will likely be back

GOLF | Phil Mickelson is not ready  
to be anointed on the Monterey Pen-  
insula, but he's getting close.

When he blistered the field and  
the courses last year in the AT&T  
Pebble Beach National Pro-Am,  
tying the tournament scoring record  
and winning by five shots, it was his  
third victory in 10 years.

One more win there would put  
him in elite company with Sam  
Snead and Jack Nicklaus, whose  
four victories at Pebble include the  
'72 U.S. Open. And even though he  
was five strokes back after Thurs-  
day's opening round of minus-1,  
there's little reason to believe Mick-  
elson won't at least give himself a  
chance on the weekend.

There has been so much focus on  
Tiger Woods this season and for sev-  
eral reasons. The world's No. 1 player  
got everyone's attention in early Jan-  
uary when he said the Grand Slam  
was "easily within reason," then  
showed he wasn't kidding by win-  
ning the Buick Invitational by eight  
shots and following that with a vic-  
tory in the Dubai Desert Classic. In

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Roland Thatcher, 5-under
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Michael Allen, 4-under
Kris Cox, 4-under

the process, Mickelson has become  
somewhat of a forgotten figure.

He lost last summer with a wrist  
injury, but reveled in beating Woods  
head-to-head at the Deutsche Bank  
Championship and won the HSBC  
Champions in Shanghai.

Mickelson is excited about the  
year, and for good reason. He has  
been with short-game guru Dave  
Pelz for four years, and now that his  
wrist injury has healed, he is mak-  
ing fast progress with swing coach  
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Are his expectations as high as  
they have ever been?

"Yeah, I would say so," Mickel-  
son said. DOUG FERGUSON (AP)

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# Suns' Title Hopes Brighten

Phoenix is betting Shaq can bring the city its 1st NBA title

NBA | Shaquille O'Neal had strong words for those who doubt he can fit in with the Phoenix Suns.

"I'm very upset," he said Thursday at a news conference to introduce him as a member of his new team. "You just don't really want to get me upset. When I'm upset, I'm known to do certain things — like win championships."

O'Neal, once the game's dominant big man but now slowed by a hip injury, said he is motivated by the negative talk.

He said people are "going to be very surprised" about his role in a Suns running game orchestrated by Steve Nash. O'Neal, who turns 36 next month, has been out for two

weeks with a hip injury but cleared his physical Wednesday and hopes to play before the All-Star break. The Suns play Seattle on Friday and Washington on Sunday, and have two games next week.

The trade that brought O'Neal to Phoenix on Wednesday is one of the most unexpected in NBA history, a blockbuster that sent Shawn Marion and Marcus Banks to Miami and came together in just a few days under first-year Phoenix general manager Steve Kerr.

The criticism has been widespread, from fans to talk radio hosts to newspaper columnists. All claimed that Phoenix had acquired a once-great big man far past his prime.

Yet coach Mike D'Antoni and the Suns players said they were elated. They believe O'Neal will be reinvigorated by the move and become a crucial component of their title run.



Shaquille O'Neal rebuffed criticism that he wouldn't fit into the Suns' offense.

Nash was "shocked" by the trade. "If you look at what happened the last 24 hours, it was incredible," he

## Commuter Coach

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said. "It was very unexpected, but at the same time to get a chance to play with Shaquille O'Neal is pretty exciting."

O'Neal has averaged 25.6 points and 11.5 rebounds in 16 seasons in the NBA. This season, plagued by injuries, he's averaging 14.2 points.

"When Shaq came to the team four years ago, I always felt it was forever," Heat coach Pat Riley said. "We won a championship with him. We wish him nothing but the best. We have to move on with our team. We're rebuilding." BOB BAUM (AP)

## Both McNamee And Clemens Talk on the Hill

BASEBALL | Roger Clemens and Brian McNamee brought their vastly different stories to Capitol Hill on Thursday, when the star pitcher met one-on-one with congressmen informally and his former personal trainer met with House lawyers for a sworn deposition.

McNamee did not speak to reporters on his way into the offices of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. On another floor in the Rayburn House Office Building, Clemens made brief comments as he walked through marble hallways to go to various offices of representatives on the committee.

"I'm ready for Wednesday to get here," Clemens said earlier, referring to the committee's public hearing next week, when he, McNamee and other witnesses, including pitcher Andy Pettitte, are to testify. (AP)

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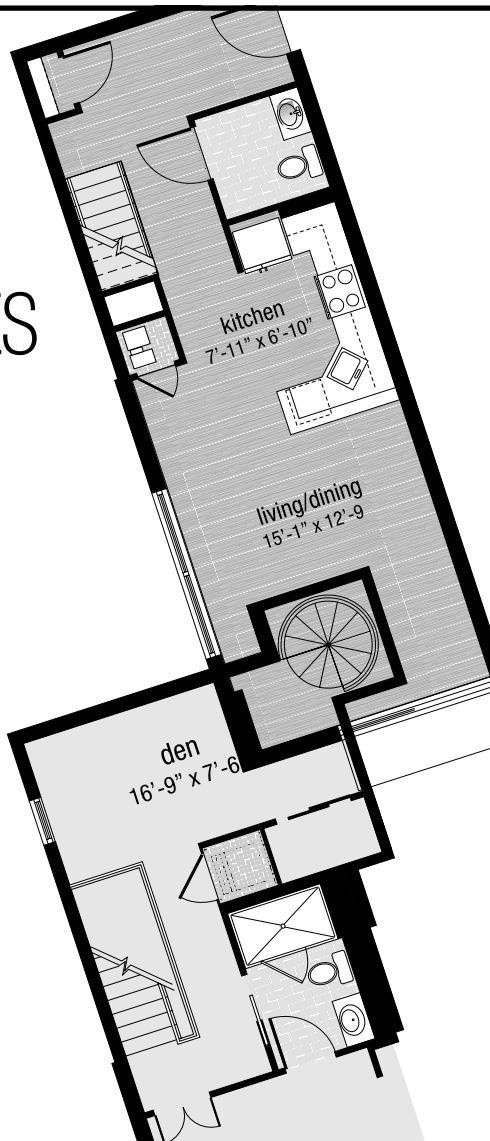
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# D.C. United Trades Gomez

Club gets a first-round draft pick and other considerations for star

UNITED | D.C. United has traded the rights to 2006 MLS most valuable player Christian Gomez to the Colorado Rapids, sources close to the negotiations said Thursday.

United will receive a first-round draft pick and other considerations in exchange for the Argentine midfielder, whose contract expired in December. The Rapids will hold a news conference Friday in Denver to introduce Gomez.

After rejecting United's contract extension offers since early last year, Gomez was essentially replaced on the roster last week when the club acquired former Argentina World Cup midfielder Marcelo Gallardo. According to one source, United was willing to increase Gomez's base salary from \$218,500 to \$325,000 and guarantee the contract for two years; Colorado will pay him



Christian Gomez joined D.C. United in 2004 and made an immediate impact.

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Gomez, 33, was entitled to sign with any club outside MLS — he apparently entertained offers from teams in the Middle East and Latin America — but because MLS does

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not have free agency, United maintained his league rights and could request compensation.

In search of an influential central midfielder to energize his lackluster club, Rapids Coach Fernando Clavijo expressed interest in Gomez in December. Other MLS teams also contacted United, but Colorado was the front-runner all along, a source said.

STEVEN GOFF (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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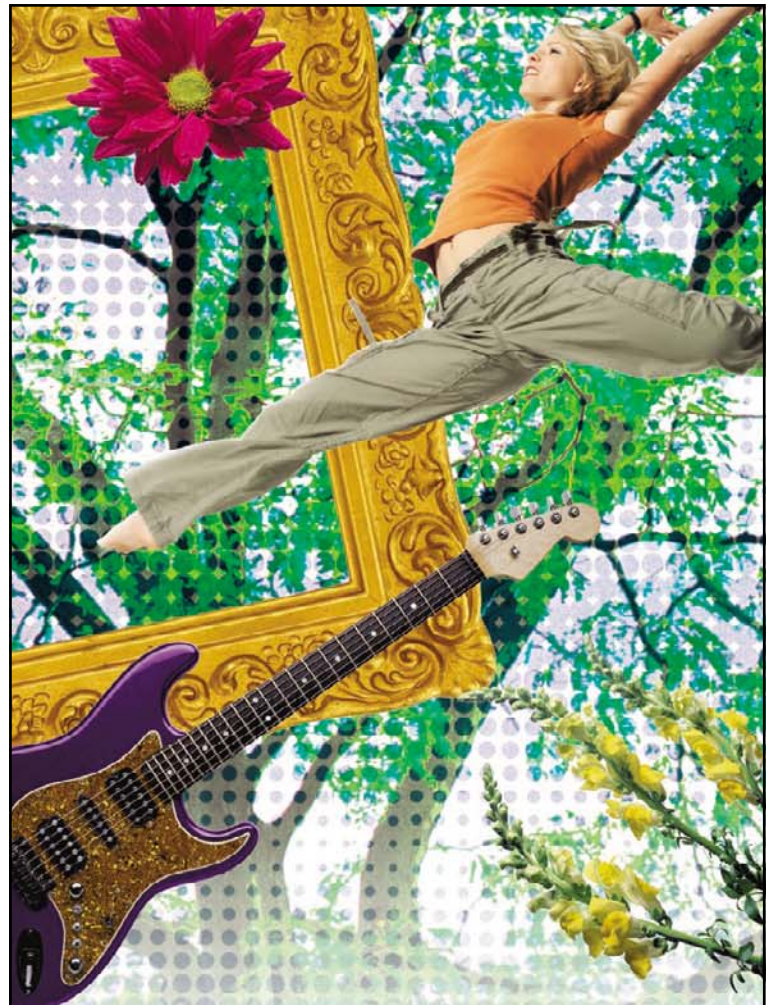
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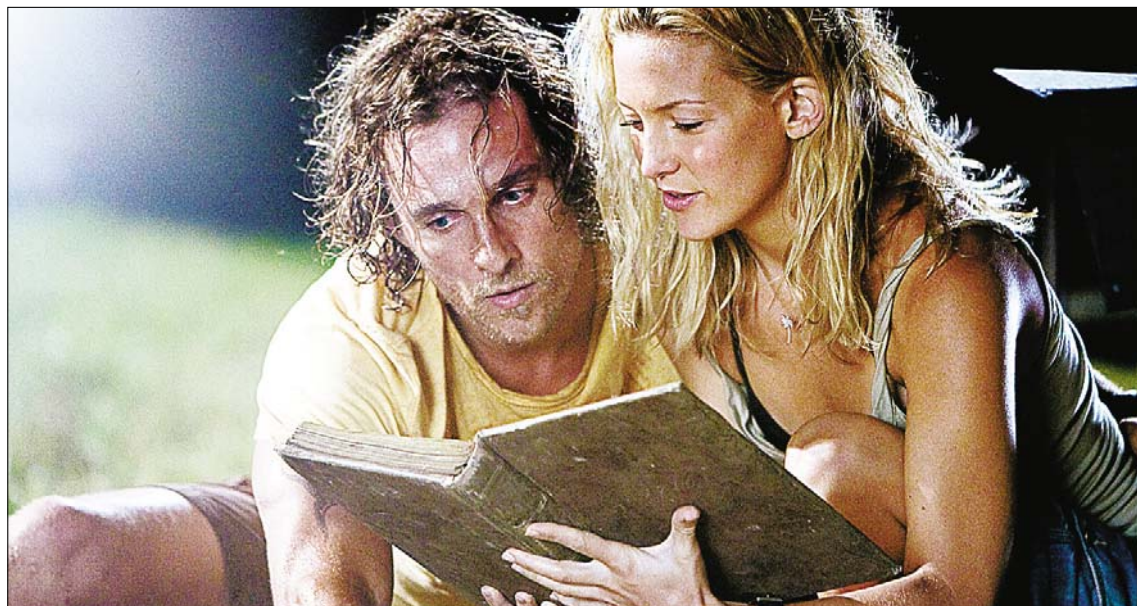
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**THE PERFECT COUPLE:** Even so, "Fool's Gold" is proof that shimmering tans and beachy locks do not a good movie make.

## You'd Be a Fool

### To waste money on another rom-com rife with cheesy cliches

**FILM** | There's a moment in "Fool's Gold" when Matthew McConaughey, as a flaky treasure hunter, finds himself stranded in the middle of the ocean, bobbing up and down as he clings to an ice chest, basking in the stillness of the sun and praying that someone will come by and

rescue him.

And you're watching him, thinking, "Yeah, I know exactly how he feels."

This painfully lifeless and lame romantic comedy from "Hitch" director Andy Tennant leaves you desperately wishing that someone — anyone — would swoop down and fix it. Pick up the pace, juice up the chemistry, cut out 20 minutes, something. Because, as it stands, there's nothing romantic or comic about it.

McConaughey and Kate Hudson team up for a second time following 2003's formulaic but tolerable "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days." And while they look great individually as they traipse about the Caribbean setting, showing off their tanned, toned bodies, they don't play terribly well off one another.

The script from Tennant, John Claflin and Daniel Zelman has Hudson and McConaughey, as the newly divorced Tess and Finn, awkward-

ly reconciling when a clue emerges that could lead to the hidden treasure they'd been obsessed with for years. This essentially consists of her hitting him on the head with various objects until she eventually realizes she'd rather make out with him instead. (A running gag about Finn's prowess in the bedroom, and how it still has a hold on Tess, is never particularly funny.)

But first we must go through tediously protracted explanations about the Queen's Dowry, 40 chests of Spanish treasure that were lost at sea in 1715. That's the short version; the way the story is told in "Fool's Gold" will make you dizzy with boredom.

Tess, who works as a steward aboard an enormous yacht owned by billionaire Nigel Honeycutt (Donald Sutherland, slumming it), persuades him to fund the expedition with Finn's help. Nigel has nothing better to do — and, besides, he figures the adventure might provide a chance for him to reconnect with his estranged socialite daughter, Gemma (a shrilly bubble-headed Alexis Dziena), who's reluctantly come to visit.

Meanwhile, Finn must figure out where the treasure is buried before his competitor and former mentor, Moe (Ray Winstone, also slumming it), gets to it first. He's in serious debt to a rapper-gangster known as Bigg Bunny (Kevin Hart), who happens to own the entire island where the gold and jewels might be hidden. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**

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## Sporadically Wild, Wild West

### Vince Vaughn and co. have trouble keeping the energy on high

**FILM** | "Vince Vaughn's Wild West Comedy Show: 30 Days & 30 Nights — Hollywood to the Heartland" is only sometimes wild, but it does indeed go through some Western states. It also ends up feeling about as long and draggy as the title itself.

Vaughn had a clever idea, though, in amassing a group of little-known

comedians and taking them across the country, hitting cities between Los Angeles and Chicago like Lubbock, Texas and Little Rock, Ark.

We get to know the divergent personalities of Ahmed Ahmed, John Caparulo, Bret Ernst and Sebastian Maniscalco both onstage and on the tour bus.

Ahmed, who was born in Egypt but moved with his family to California when he was an infant, draws biting humor from his experiences living as an Arab in the United



A softer side of the normally smarmy comedian is revealed on Vaughn's tour.

States post-Sept. 11. The acerbic Caparulo, with his rapid-fire delivery, finds inspiration in his working-class Ohio upbringing.

And Vaughn himself shows his humble, vulnerable side, something we rarely see from the star of "Wedding Crashers," who's made his name with smart-alecky wit. The tour, which took place during fall 2005, includes a stop at a shelter for victims of Hurricane Katrina, which also provides an unlikely heavy turn. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**



# Woman Among Men

**Mo'Nique holds her own with the boys in 'Roscoe Jenkins'**

**Q&A** | Shinning brightly against an all-star cast of male counterparts — lead by Martin Lawrence and including comedy heavyweights Cedric the Entertainer and Mike Epps — Baltimore-bred comedienne Mo'Nique admits her latest role, as the jocular Betty in "Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins," isn't too far removed from her own personality. "With one exception, she notes, "[she hasn't] gone to the prisons to meet the mens and give them God's love." Mo'Nique talked to Express about her "laugh-out-loud funny" character and her pin-up ambitions.

**The set must have been like elementary school recess.**

We were on the playground playing. Except the seesaw was a little wider, the sliding board was a little slipperier, and we had to strap ourselves into the swings, but we never went to work.

**Was it difficult to hold your own against the boys?**

I think for some, when it's male/female, intimidation can set in, but I've known those guys for over 20



**DON'T MESS!** Mo'Nique shows Martin Lawrence who's boss in "Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins," hitting theaters today.

years. So, they know I'm, like, "if you bring your basketball to the court, I promise I'm going to give you a good one-on-one." Maybe a couple elbows, a couple kicks.

**So, garnering respect has never been an issue for you?**

The respect comes from the audience. People know what makes them laugh. May it be a woman or a man, or may it be a man-woman. That'll tickle your fancy right there by itself.

**In school, were you, like, rapid-fire**

**with the jokes?**

I was so grown in school. I'd wear my little skirts and I had my briefcase, honey. And my heels. And they couldn't cuss around me. Now when I see some of them that I went to high school with they be like, "Bitch ... you ... you ..." and we couldn't cuss around you. And I want to apologize because cussing is so good. They say chicken soup is good for the soul. But, baby, cussing keeps your blood pressure down.

**What's next for you?**

I really want to do Playboy, but Hugh Hefner be tripping. I'm not going to put on no blond wig. I'm just not going to do it. I'm sick of him not returning my calls, down-right sick of it. I done called the Playboy mansion 17 times, and he ain't returned none of my calls. That's all right, Hugh. One day.

**If I ever talk to Hef, I'll put in a good word.**

I bet he would sell more cop-ies than he ever did in his life.

DARONA WILLIAMS (EXPRESS)



Paris is even prettier next to a pallid, wart-ridden girl clad entirely in black!

## 'Hottie' Is A Straight Up Nottie

**Hilton and an ugly duckling take shallow to painful new levels**

**FILM** | Really, there's no point in paying to see a movie starring Paris Hilton — she of the platinum blond, extensions and the nonexistent acting range — because you can get exactly what she has to offer for free by turning on a TV infotainment show or visiting gossip Web sites.

In "The Hot Chick and the Nottie," she once again essentially plays herself, or at least the version of herself she's concocted for public consumption.

This time, Hilton stars as sexpot Cristabel Abbott, who's so massively desirable, men line the beach path where she jogs every day (in slow motion, naturally) with marriage proposals and other wacky expressions of love. Cristabel has an entire walk-in closet devoted entirely to her extensive collection of lingerie. When she practices yoga, the instructor compliments her on the quality of her downward facing dog.

She could have any man she wants, but she refuses to date until her homely best friend June (Christine Lakin) finds a boyfriend.

Director Tom Putnam's movie, which plays like a poor man's Farrelly brothers comedy, is as formulaic as they come. Even before we meet June, we have every reason to believe she's secretly gorgeous, and simply in need of some veneers and a facial wax. (Early on, she resembles Jerri Blank, Amy Sedaris' character from "Strangers With Candy.") CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

# Crystal Meth in the Middle

**Bryan Cranston goes from Malcom's dad to 'Breaking Bad'**

**SHIFT** | Bryan Cranston is tired of laughing. To be fair, really, he's tired of the easy laugh.

Cranston is perhaps most recognized as the hairy father in the harried situational comedy "Malcolm in the Middle." But with AMC's new knockout series "Breaking Bad," he's all but recognizable in the role of a harried father in a hairy situation.

In the show, which airs Sundays at 10 p.m., Walt White (Cranston) lives a mostly beige existence. He's just shy of 50, has a loving, if impatient, wife and a works in a New Mexico high school science department. An everyman if ever there was one, his life is thrown into tumult when he is suddenly diagnosed with lung cancer and the medical bills for his son's cerebral palsy mount.

What to do? Why, return to the lab, of course. The meth lab, that is.

"What initially captured my attention [to "Breaking Bad"] is



"Breaking Bad" finds its protagonist in many, um, uncomfortable situations.

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that this show really shouldn't work," Cranston told Express. "But Walt is a relatively sympathetic character, and people don't have to agree with his choices. They can have the moral dilemma while they watch, which can heighten the drama." CHRISTOPHER CORREA



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# Nightlife Agenda

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT? BY FRITZ  
HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

## FRIDAY

If you've listened to our newest podcast, you heard a short clip of "Paris, Texas," the new single by New York-based electrofunk outfit 33Hz. The group makes sexy, slinky, dance floor-friendly disco for the 21st century, similar to Chromeo or DJs on France's Ed Banger Records. It's down for yet another big bands-meet-DJs Blisspop night at **THE 9:30 CLUB**, with three of our favorite local DJs: Jet-setting hip-hop, electro remix and mashup king Dave Nada, whose turntable skills make him one of D.C.'s best; Will Eastman, who runs the monthly Bliss party at the Black Cat; and DJ Meistro, who mixes hip-hop and reggae bangers at Wonderland Ballroom and Napoleon.

It's a garage rock extravaganza tonight at **THE BLACK CAT**, highlighted by a rare appearance by the always experimental and prolific Dan Melchior. Melchior is a minor legend in garage rock circles, since he collaborated with Billy Childish and Holly Golightly and also toured with the White Stripes and the Fall. Most bands are considered hard workers if they release an album every other year; if Melchior goes a few months without a new 7-inch single, EP or full-length, his fans start to get worried. Melchior goes beyond



Talib Kweli, for free? True story, if you get to Love before 11 tonight.



**BRAGGING RIGHTS:** D.C. gets them for DJ Dave Nada, at the 9:30 Club tonight.

the usual "three-chords + distortion + some swagger" formula that many garage bands adhere to, keeping listeners off balance with his bizarre takes on country, blues and folk. Opens the Hall Monitors basically stick to that previously mentioned "three-chords + distortion + some swagger" routine, but we're hard-pressed to find any area bands that do it better. Go to a Hall Monitors show and you'll be baffled as to why D.C. audiences have a reputation for standing still and looking bored. This is a band that gets the crowd moving. The Breakups and Nunchucks also play.

Talib Kweli's career is proof that a slow burn is the best burn. The erudite lyricist emerged from the '90s indie hip-hop scene and clawed his way into mainstream consciousness with relentless touring, consistent releases and a dedicated approach to tending his fanbase. The great thing about his trajectory is that new listeners who just came aboard with his recent club hit "Hot Thing" could easily grow to love his earliest work with Hi-Tek. You can catch Kweli rocking at **LOVE** tonight for free if you get there before 11 p.m. Check lovethelclub.com for more details.

## SATURDAY

Like so many of the reggae artists finding success in Jamaica these days, Tarrus Riley has deep roots in the music. His father, Jimmy Riley, had hits in the '60s with the vocal group the Uniques before joining Sly Dunbar and Robbie Shakespeare's Taxi label, on which he recorded the certified classic "Love and Devotion." Tarrus got his start in the music business as a DJ, and his warm, rich voice is perfectly suited to switching between deep roots music and smooth lovers' rock; hits like "She's Royal" display hints

of both. Riley is appearing at **THE CROSSROADS** Saturday night along with Duane Stephenson and Dean Frasier. It's ostensibly a tribute to "King of Reggae" Bob Marley, but we're more interested in hearing songs from Riley's own catalog.

The Turntables on the Hudson party has been a New York mainstay for 10 years now. Similar to Giant Step, this institution led by DJs Nickodemus and Mariano and percussionist Nappy G has helped blend the funk, jazz, electronic and progressive soul worlds into a landmark event that has been played by everyone who has made or spun a sexy beat in the last decade, from Quantic to Rich Medina to Karsh Kale. The compilations that were born out of this party are also great capsules of this scene. When Nickodemus and Mariano touch down in D.C., **EIGHTEENTH STREET LOUNGE** is their venue of choice. Be there Saturday night for this major Manhattan groove experience.

New Orleans? Founded in 1718. Cologne, Germany? Founded in 38 B.C. Germans have been celebrating the Lenten Karneval since the 13th century, and today it's one of Europe's biggest street festivals, with parades, huge floats, elaborate costumes, live music — hmm, does this all sound strangely familiar? Get a taste of Karneval Saturday night at **THE GERMAN EMBASSY**, where a black-tie event includes dancing to a 20-member German band, a performance by a traditional German folk group, a full buffet dinner, open bar with German beer and wine, karaoke, a DJ and more. Tickets are \$120 from Thingstodoc.com. Remember to dress up; Masks and costumes are encouraged.

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## Now Playing

**ATONEMENT** (R, 123 minutes) This film version of Ian McEwan's 2002 novel has achieved that to which every literary adaptation should aspire. It's 1935, and the Tallises have gathered for a quiet summer weekend. When Briony observes her beautiful sister, Cecilia (Keira Knightley), suddenly jump into a fountain while the caretaker's son, Robbie (James McAvoy), looks on, Briony doesn't see youthful impetuosity. She sees something forbidden and threatening, which is how she will read and report all that comes later. Those events will take Briony, Cecilia and Robbie to World War II and even the present day, as that summer weekend reverberates in a series of excruciating twists. How fitting that a novel so devoted to the precision and passionate love of language be captured in a film that is simply too exquisite for words. (AH)

**THE BUCKET LIST** (PG-13, 97 minutes) The lowest of high concepts, this movie is about two old coots (Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman) with terminal cancer who decide to live out a few last-minute thrills before kicking the bucket. It is professionally made, but the overall sense is of a movie coasting on an obvious and somewhat flimsy premise, to which no one thought to bring much else besides Nicholson and Freeman. Each man is playing his own clichéd persona:



**PESKY GHOST:** Paul Rudd tries to romance Lake Bell despite the interference of his dead ex-fiance in "Over Her Dead Body."

nihilism versus nobility, mischief versus morose introspection, arrested adolescent versus ageless wisdom. No need to explain who is who, which is part of the movie's very tired problem. (JA)

**CHARLIE WILSON'S WAR** (R, 96 minutes) Mike Nichols's chronicle of congressman Charlie Wilson's crusade to ram funding through the House Appropriations Committee to supply arms to the Afghan mujaheddin in the early 1980s probably gets the Washington process better

than any film since "Advise & Consent" in 1962. Charlie is played by Tom Hanks at his unchallenged but affable best. But the best thing about the film is the speed at which Nichols, from Aaron Sorkin's snarky script, moves the thing along and keeps the cracks wise. And with smart dialogue, Julia Roberts in a bikini and Russian helicopters going boom! It's also short! What's not to love? (SH)

**CLOVERFIELD** (PG-13, 85 minutes) In this thriller, our hero, as such, is Rob (Michael

Stahl-David), who's being given a going-away party before his new job in Japan starts. Apparently miffed about not having been invited to the soiree, a lumbering-yet-slithering 90-foot tadpole starts lobbing bombs around Lower Manhattan. The destruction of the city is seen through the viewfinder of a partygoer's video camera, and at no time does he fail to keep an image on the screen. Projected on a building-size screen, the movie is a relentless, I-thought-my-eyeballs-were-bleeding

exercise in visual disorientation, consisting of dialogue that consists largely of OH, MY GOD?! (JA)

**THE EYE** (R, 85 minutes) This remake of a 2002 Hong Kong horror film sits in no-man's-land between a lowbrow genre terrorizer (it's never that scary) and a high-end ghost story — the kind that would use a big-name director, more high-end effects and — oh, yes — a better script. Jessica Alba brings beauty but no particular brilliance to the central role as a blind, classical violinist (yeah, right) who agrees to a corneal transplant only to learn that she is suffering 3-D hallucinations. She sees people burning and the ghosts of the recently departed, including the previous owner of those corneas. But is she supposed to be seeing dead people or medium-level special effects? (ST)

**FIRST SUNDAY** (PG-13, 96 minutes) In this by turns trite and mildly amusing B-comedy, Ice Cube and Tracy Morgan play Durell and LeeJohn, Baltimore down-and-outers who need quick money and concoct a scheme to rip off their neighborhood church. Once they're inside the house of worship, the movie goes from caper flick to spiritually inflected dramedy, with touches of Agatha Christie thrown in when the money disappears before Durell and LeeJohn can snag it. As tired as this movie is, and as shamelessly as it grovels for laughs, there's a hint of sweetness, and when it succeeds, it's mostly due to terrific casting. (AH)

**THE GREAT DEBATERS** (PG-13, 120 minutes) Denzel Washington, who directed and stars in this film, turns the tale of how tiny black Wiley College of Marshall,

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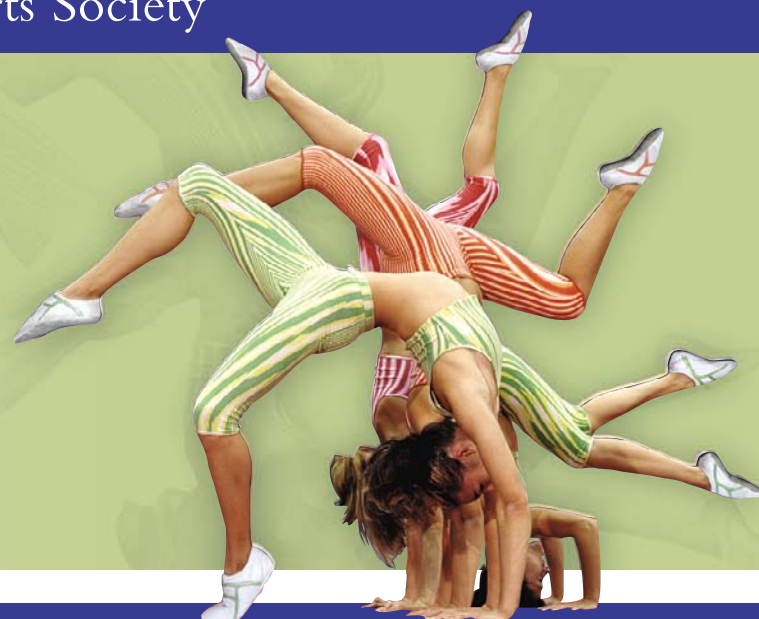
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Texas, out-argued the white national debate champion in 1935 into a stunner. He plays Mel Tolson, a poet, debate coach, labor organizer and mentor, who coaches Henry (Nate Parker) and three others to a significant assertion of black intellectual chops on a national scale. It's a David and Goliath tale played to the max, all stops removed. It's a great family movie, if not historically perfect, and something that a lot of people are going to like. (SH)

**HANNAH MONTANA AND MILEY CYRUS: BEST OF BOTH WORLDS CONCERT 3-D** (G, 74 minutes) Clearly, we were expecting too much. Fifteen lousy bucks for this movie (tickets are \$15, even for kids, and even for a matinee), and you still learn nothing about Miley Cyrus and her rock-star alter ego. And it's in 3-D, a gimmick truly on the cutting edge in ... 1953. It is strictly a pastiche of her recent tour. Complaints arose that concert tickets were too pricey and hard to get, and so Disney made this limited-run movie to reach fans robbed of Cyrus' promising vocal ability, affected stage persona and defiantly inarticulate speaking style. And what about those pumped-up dads, seen in the movie, who'll do anything to get tick-



**SCREEECH!** The noise tween girls make upon seeing the "Hannah Montana" movie.

ets, including racing in high heels? The film makes little of such moments, preferring the bland sheen of the concert.  
ADAM BERNSTEIN  
**HOW SHE MOVE** (PG-13, 98 minutes) This

is more sports movie than art movie in which stepping — ensemble dancing to a hip-hop beat — is the art/sport du jour. And the MVP is Raya (Rutina Wesley). Having reluctantly left her elite

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private school because her late sister's drug addiction sponged up the family's finances, Raya finds herself in her old, downtrodden Toronto 'hood, facing off with old nemeses including Michelle (Tre Armstrong) and trying to find a way back out. The movie is burdened by a rather mediocre script but boasts some terrific performances. It's a girls-can't-do-it/girls-can-do-it/girls-do-it/girls-beat-the-boys-at-it movie. (JA)

**I AM LEGEND** (PG-13, 114 minutes) Based on Richard Matheson's 1954 novel of the same name, this movie is set in New York City in 2012, just after a virus appears to have wiped out the human race, leaving only Robert Neville (Will Smith) with his trusted dog and memories of his wife and daughter. The joy of the movie is watching the slow unfolding of this disaster zone and the likable Smith finding a way to live in it. But instead of maintaining its edgy sense of constant discomfort, the movie is compelled to make Neville as fuzzily adorable and messianic as possible. Heroes work better on their own, thank you, without studio hyperbole. (DT)

**JUNO** (PG-13, 91 minutes) When whip-smart teenager Juno (Ellen Page) becomes pregnant, the unplanned result of a quick liaison with boyfriend Paulie (Michael Cera), she decides to find a home for her baby. She meets a seemingly slick and perfect yuppie couple (Jennifer Garner and Jason Bateman) who plan to give the child the life that Juno can't. Only superficially a teen comedy,

the movie redounds with postmodern — but emotionally genuine — gravitas. What distinguishes it is its memorable banter among the characters, all of whom feel real. And let's not forget how funny the movie is, too. (DT)

**THE KITE RUNNER** (PG-13, 122 minutes) Khaled Hosseini's novel has been given the screen adaptation it richly deserves. gorgeously filmed in California and China (which stands in for Afghanistan), the movie keeps things simple and elegant. Twelve-year-old Amir (Zekeria Ebrahimi) lives in a beautiful house. His best friend is Hassan (Ahmad Khan Mahmidzada), the family servant's son. As the boys do what boys do in Kabul, including flying kites, they are routinely bullied by kids of the privileged sect to which Amir belongs. It's after one of Kabul's cherished "kite fighting" tournaments that Hassan runs afoul of some of those bullies, who brutally rape him. Amir looks on, and the ensuing shame will haunt him the rest of his life. For all the pain and loss, this is still a film of exhilarating, redemptive humanity, conveying enduring hope. (AH)

**MAD MONEY** (PG-13, 102 minutes) In this caper comedy, Diane Keaton mostly plays it straight as Bridget, an upper-class Kansas City matron who, when her corporate husband falls on hard times, takes a job as a janitor at the Federal Reserve. She notices that the Fed shreds money too old to stay in circulation and persuades single mom Nina (Queen Latifah) and rocker chick Jackie (Katie Holmes) to join with her to "recycle" the bills — straight into their own bank accounts. The movie possesses its share of modest laughs, but it doesn't have the dash

needed to make it a comic heist on par with "Ocean's Eleven." And once Bridget gets just plain greedy, all rooting interest in her scheme disappears like so many pulped Benjamins. (AH)

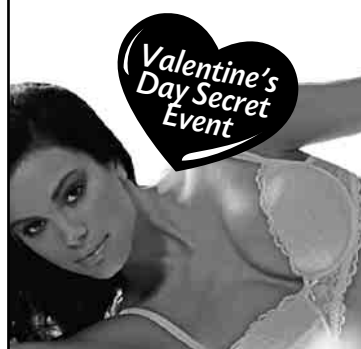
**MEET THE SPARTANS** (PG-13, 84 minutes) It's common practice among film critics to dub each unspeakable turkey "the worst movie ever made!" But in the case of this movie, it may actually be true. A takeoff on "300," it's also a satirical survey of recent cultural phenomena: Think "Scary Movie" for the gladiator set. But this bore-fest is a parody of things that can't be parodied. How do you puncture the dignity of Paris Hilton? Or satirize "America Idol," which is a satire already? Punctuated by the most shameless series of product placements, gay-bashing "humor" and explosions of body fluids, it looks as if it were made for \$14. (JA)

**MICHAEL CLAYTON** (R, 119 minutes) From its hushed opening sequences in a Manhattan law office late at night to its sleek, pared-down narrative style, this uncommonly intelligent thriller evokes the great films of the 1970s that managed to elicit gritty urban realism while maintaining a suave sense of style and moral complexity. George Clooney plays the title character, a "fixer" at a white shoe law firm, who finds himself enmeshed in a web of corporate intrigue, personal financial straits, madness and murder. The movie marks a return to the screen of intelligence, taste and class. Hallelujah, and hire the babysitter: It's grown-up time again at the movies. (AH)

**NATIONAL TREASURE: BOOK OF SECRETS** (PG, 120 minutes) Benjamin

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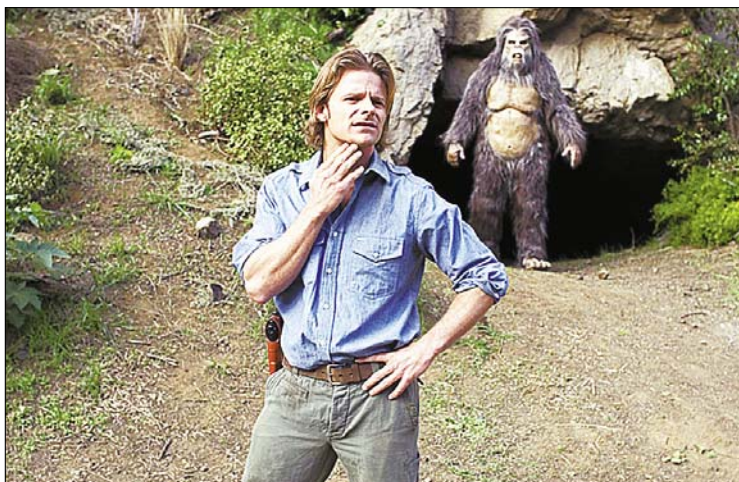
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ing else. It's meant to be "ironic," with that big capital I. Instead it's unsatisfying, with a capital U. (SH)

**THE ORPHANAGE** (R, 100 minutes) This movie, Spain's official entry for Best Foreign Language Film at this year's Academy Awards, is set in a former orphanage where one of its old charges, Laura (Belén Rueda), was raised. Now grown, she intends to turn the institution into a home for special-needs children. But when her son disappears, she becomes convinced that the ghosts of her traumatic school days have returned to capture him. The film lures us in with extraordinary subtlety. Keeping sound effects and incidental music to a relative minimum, it builds its suspense almost subliminally. So, when something scary or shocking does occur — deprived of those Hollywood-style cues — we are truly startled. (DT)

**OVER HER DEAD BODY** (PG-13, 95 minutes) This is, one supposes, Eva Longoria Parker's movie, although the "Desperate Housewives" star is uncategorically eclipsed by her co-star, Lake Bell, and plays the least sympathetic figure in the movie. Wearing a crescendo of hair and enough bronzer to alter the complexion of Finnish Lapland, Parker's Kate march-



**THE UNHAPPY COUPLE:** Julie Benz and Sylvester Stallone rough it in "Rambo."

es around the site of her pending nuptials with all the cuddliness of Otto von Bismarck. Then a 500-pound ice sculpture lands on her, sending her to the antechamber of paradise. She then returns to demolish her dear, near-widower's love life. None of it makes sense — logically, emotionally or dramatically. (JA)

**PERSEPOLIS** (PG-13, 95 minutes) The unusual format in Marjane Satrapi's film is not that it's in black-and-white (though it is), not that it's based on a graphic novel (it is), but that it's animated. Satrapi, with co-director Vincent Paronnaud, has taken her work and turned it into a vigorous, revealing and tragic film. The film

pretty much stays with three women — Satrapi, her mother (voiced by Catherine Deneuve) and her grandmother (Danielle Darrieux) — through the upheavals of recent Iranian history. This is good old cel animation, where things are simply drawn and immensely suggestive, and the movie, while no fun, faces hard truths and asks hard questions. (SH)

**THE PIRATES WHO DON'T DO ANYTHING — A VEGGIE TALES MOVIE** (G, 84 minutes) This umpteenth entry in the 15-year-old animated franchise and the first to forsake the Bible for Robert Louis Stevenson, is clever enough to keep adults enter-

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12:35, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:40  
**WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG-13) \*\***  
11:15, 1:55, 4:50, 7:30, 10:15  
**OVER HER DEAD BODY (PG-13) \*\***  
11:50, 2:20, 4:55, 7:25, 9:55  
**THE EYE (PG-13) \*\***  
12:25, 2:50, 5:20, 8:05, 10:25  
**THERE WILL BE BLOOD (R)**  
12:30, 4:35, 8:10  
**STRANGE WILDERNESS (R) \*\***  
4:20, 6:40, 9:00  
**RAMBO (R)**  
12:15, 2:40, 5:15, 7:50, 10:10  
**UNTRACEABLE (R)**  
11:55, 2:55, 5:25, 7:55, 10:35  
**MEET THE SPARTANS (PG-13)**  
11:40, 2:35, 4:45, 7:05, 9:45  
**NO COUNTRY FOR OLD MEN (R)**  
9:20  
**CLOVERFIELD (PG-13)**  
6:55, 9:35  
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3:50, 9:40  
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11:30, 2:10  
**JUNO (PG-13)**  
12:50, 3:35, 6:30, 9:10  
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tained, even if the story is something of an antique. Dynastic intrigue. Adventure at sea. Imperiled maidens. Pirates who say “Arrrrrr.” Longtime fans know that the veggies play different roles in each story. In this one, the Helpseeker takes them, via magical rowboat, to the 1600s. The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything don't, in fact, do much. But at least they won't raise your cholesterol. (JA)

**RAMBO (R, 95 minutes)** This movie, which marks Sylvester Stallone's fourth appearance as the bow-bending angel of death, urges us to appreciate the miserable plight of the Burmese, just before our laconic hero kills, maims and—in one gruesome shot—decapitates them. Of course, the movie presents John Rambo's wholesale killing as a response to social injustice. He's icing the bad Burmese who rape women, torch babies and force their victims to run through mine-rigged rice fields. But Rambo's motivation seems more psychotic than noble. No longer is he killing for a cause, but for kicks. (DT)

**STRANGE WILDERNESS (R, 87 minutes)** This movie, starring Steve Zahn, occupies a very special place indeed—at the dead bottom of the stoner comedy pile. And nestled down there with it is Zahn as Peter, a wildlife host who takes off on a search for Bigfoot to save his beleaguered wildlife nature show from getting the ax. If you can imagine “Dumb & Dumber” as a road trip through the Mexican jungle with characters who make Beavis and Butt-head seem sophisticated, that's only part of it. Add the “twist” that the movie, which also features Allen Covert, Jonah Hill and Ashley Scott, is not funny. Not. At. All. (DT)

**THERE WILL BE BLOOD (R, 158 minutes)** Based very loosely on the novel “Oil!” by Upton Sinclair, this film stars Daniel Day-Lewis as a miner named Daniel Plainview, who while digging for gold and silver in Southern California in the late 1890s discovers oil. The movie traces his rise as an independent oilman, his fight with Standard Oil, his relationship with his adopted son and his feud with an ambitious young preacher. It is a masterful cinematic achievement, and it's another astonishing performance from Day-Lewis, who in the film's silent opening moments even breathes with eerie authenticity. (AH)

**27 DRESSES (PG-13, 107 minutes)** In this romantic comedy, Katherine Heigl plays Jane, a hardworking Manhattan administrative assistant who gives new meaning to “always a bridesmaid.” Turns out

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the movie's title refers to the number of weddings in which she has served in that thankless capacity, including two that, in a preposterous early sequence, occur on the same night. It's during that illogical series of scenes that Jane meets Kevin (James Marsden), who begins to pursue her even though she's in love with her boss (Edward Burns). There is not one surprising, charming or quirky thing about the movie, which hews to the rom-com formula with bland precision. But don't blame Heigl, who has a bright big-screen future with the right material. (AH)

**U2 3D** (G, 85 minutes) The first digital 3-D, multi-camera production of a live event, this film captures the band U2 at its finest during the last leg of its "Vertigo" tour of South America in 2006. With three-dimensional digital images and surround sound that make you feel as though you're literally poking your head into another world, this movie is not the next best thing to being there. In many ways, it's better: the atmospheric immer-



**GOOD, BAD AND SCARY:** "The Eye," starring Jessica Alba, is somewhere between B-list horror and well-crafted ghost story.

sion of being with an adoring crowd, yet not stifled by it, and the intimacy of pristine, intimate images of Bono and bandmates. (DT)

**UNTRACEABLE** (R, 100 minutes) Diane Lane stars as Jennifer Marsh, a widowed


cyber-crime expert with the FBI living with her mother and young daughter. From its very first scene, this isn't the sophisticated, brainy thriller it so nearly could have been, but just another movie about a serial murderer, in this case a

deranged computer whiz who kidnaps people, drags them to a basement and then tortures them, uploading the images to a Web site. The more people who log on, the faster the victim dies. As the movie descends into the progressively

more perverted territory, it begins to practice the very hypocrisy it condemns in its audience, engaging in the rancid voyeurism it pretends to abhor. (AH)

**SWEENEY TODD: THE DEMON BARBER OF FLEET STREET** (R, 116 minutes) With oceans of gore, rivers of luscious musicality and a bravura performance by Johnny Depp redolent of malevolence and magnetism, Tim Burton brings Stephen Sondheim's 1979 musical to the screen with a visual style informed by a truly cinematic feel for Grand Guignol. The added marvel is that the director has crafted a version of a stage musical that completely honors the source without being slavishly devoted to it. And although most of the voices Burton employs to interpret the operatic songs belong to actors rather than to singers, Sondheim's music—some of the most exquisite he has ever composed—does not seem to suffer.

PETER MARKS

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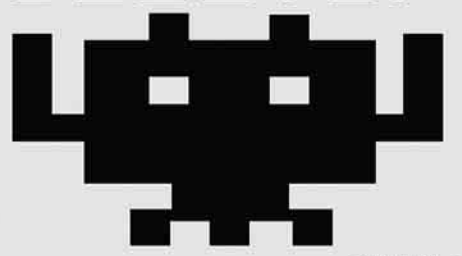
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Adv. Tix on Sale VANTAGE POINT (PG-13) ★  
FOOL'S GOLD (PG-13) ★ (130 415) 715 1000 1215  
WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG-13) (215 500) 745 1030  
HANNAH MONTANA CONCERT 3D (G) ★ 100 310 520 730 940  
VINE VAUGHN'S WILD WILD WEST COMEDY  
SHOW (R) - ID REQ'D (315) 645 1015  
THE EYE (PG-13) (300 530) 800 1030  
OVER HER DEAD BODY (PG-13) (245 515) 745 1015  
MEET THE SPARTANS (PG-13) (130 345) 615 830 1100  
UNTRACEABLE (R) - ID REQ'D (215 445) 715 950 1215  
ATONEMENT (R) - ID REQ'D (115 400) 645 930  
JUNO (PG-13) (200 430) 700 930 1155  
27 DRESSES (PG-13) (115 415) 700 945  
RAMBO (R) - ID REQ'D (315 545) 815 1035  
STRANGE WILDERNESS (R) - ID REQ'D (245 500) 730 1025  
CLOVERFIELD (PG-13) 955 1210

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HANNAH MONTANA CONCERT 3D (G) ★ 100 310 520 730 940  
WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG-13) (120 150 400 440)  
640 720 920 1000  
VINE VAUGHN'S WILD WILD WEST COMEDY  
SHOW (R) - ID REQ'D (145 420) 710 935  
THE HOTTE AND THE NOTTIE (PG-13) (130 350) 645 930  
THERE WILL BE BLOOD (R) - ID REQ'D (110 430) 800  
NO COUNTRY FOR OLD MEN (R) - ID REQ'D (105 405) 700  
MICHAEL CLAYTON (R) - ID REQ'D (125 410) 650  
THE EYE (PG-13) (200 425) 715 950  
MEET THE SPARTANS (PG-13) (140 345) 630 910  
SWEENEY TODD (R) - ID REQ'D 955 PM  
I AM LEGEND (PG-13) 945 PM

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Adv. Tix on Sale VANTAGE POINT (PG-13) ★  
FOOL'S GOLD (PG-13) ★ (100 200 400 500) 700 800 945 1045  
WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG-13) (130 415 515) 715  
815 1000 1045  
VINE VAUGHN'S WILD WILD WEST COMEDY  
SHOW (R) - ID REQ'D (145 430) 730 1015  
THE EYE (PG-13) (215 515) 745 1015  
WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG-13) (230 500) 715 945  
OVER HER DEAD BODY (PG-13) (400) 815  
THERE WILL BE BLOOD (R) - ID REQ'D (115 445) 815  
MEET THE SPARTANS (PG-13) (530) 745 1030  
OC & DA: MEET THE SPARTANS (PG-13) (145 415) 700 930  
UNTRACEABLE (R) - ID REQ'D (130 430) 730 1000  
RAMBO (R) - ID REQ'D (215) PM  
CLOVERFIELD (PG-13) (115 345) 645 930  
27 DRESSES (PG-13) (100) 830  
NATIONAL TREASURE: BOOK OF SECRETS (PG) (200 445) 800 1030

JUNO (PG-13) (100) 830

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Adv. Tix on Sale VANTAGE POINT (PG-13) ★  
VINE VAUGHN'S WILD WILD WEST COMEDY  
SHOW (R) - ID REQ'D (230 515) 800 1025  
WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG-13) (215 500) 745 1030  
FOOL'S GOLD (PG-13) ★ (145 430) 715 1000  
STRANGE WILDERNESS (R) - ID REQ'D (215) 745  
OVER HER DEAD BODY (PG-13) (130) 645  
THE EYE (PG-13) (145 415) 645 915  
OC: UNTRACEABLE (R) - ID REQ'D (200) PM  
MEET THE SPARTANS (PG-13) (230 515) 815 1020  
UNTRACEABLE (R) - ID REQ'D (445) 730 1005  
RAMBO (R) - ID REQ'D (200 445) 730 1010  
27 DRESSES (PG-13) (100 430) 800  
THERE WILL BE BLOOD (R) - ID REQ'D (115 445) 815  
BUCKET LIST (PG-13) (115 345) 645 930  
SAVAGES (R) - ID REQ'D (345) 915  
NATIONAL TREASURE: BOOK OF SECRETS (PG) (100 400) 700  
ATONEMENT (R) - ID REQ'D (115 400) 700  
JUNO (PG-13) (115 400) 700

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Adv. Tix on Sale VANTAGE POINT (PG-13) ★  
VINE VAUGHN'S WILD WILD WEST COMEDY  
SHOW (R) - ID REQ'D (1135 155 420) 655 930  
FOOL'S GOLD (PG-13) ★ (1210 400 500) 715 745 950 1020  
WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG-13) (1235 300 645 920  
1005  
OVER HER DEAD BODY (PG-13) (440) 1010  
THE EYE (PG-13) (1145 205 450) 710 1025  
HANNAH MONTANA CONCERT 3D (G) ★ 100 310 520 730 940  
MEET THE SPARTANS (PG-13) (1205 210 445) 650 925  
UNTRACEABLE (R) - ID REQ'D (1240 360) 625 915  
RAMBO (R) - ID REQ'D (1150 215 430) 705 945  
CLOVERFIELD (PG-13) (1215) PM  
27 DRESSES (PG-13) (1230 435) 720 1000  
THERE WILL BE BLOOD (R) - ID REQ'D (1155 315) 635 955  
BUCKET LIST (PG-13) (1200 220) 750  
NATIONAL TREASURE: BOOK OF SECRETS (PG) (1220) 700  
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**FOOL'S GOLD (PG13)** (11:00 @ \$6), 12:00, 2:00, 4:15, 5:00, 7:15, 8:00, 10:15, 11:00  
**THE HOTTIE & THE NOTTIE (PG13)** (10:40 @ \$6), 1:15, 4:25, 6:45, 9:10, 11:45  
**VINCE VAUGHN'S WILD WEST COMEDY SHOW (R)** (10:05 @ \$6), 12:55, 3:40, 6:15, 9:00, 11:35  
**WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG13)** (10:00, 11:30 @ \$6), 1:00, 2:30, 4:00, 5:30, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 10:00, 10:45, 11:30  
**THE EYE (PG13)** (11:05 @ \$6), 12:05, 1:55, 2:45, 4:20, 5:10, 6:50, 9:35, 12:00  
**OVER HER DEAD BODY (PG13)** 1:40, 6:35, 11:40  
**STRANGE WILDERNESS (R)** (10:15 @ \$6), 12:30, 2:40, 4:55, 7:20, 9:40, 11:55  
**MEET THE SPARTANS (PG13)** 1:20, 3:35, 5:55, 8:20, 10:35  
**MICHAEL CLAYTON (R)** (10:50 @ \$6), 5:05, 11:15  
**RAMBO (R)** 12:10, 2:25, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30, 11:50  
**UNTRACEABLE (R)** (10:55 @ \$6), 1:50, 3:30, 7:35, 10:05  
**27 DRESSES (PG13)** (10:45 @ \$6), 1:25, 4:10, 6:55, 9:50  
**CLOVERFIELD (PG13)** (10:10 @ \$6), 12:20, 2:35, 4:45, 7:05, 9:15, 11:20  
**MAD MONEY (PG13)** (11:10 @ \$6), 4:05, 9:05  
**THE BUCKET LIST (PG13)** 2:15, 7:50  
**FIRST SUNDAY (PG13)** 3:10, 5:45, 8:25, 11:10  
**NATIONAL TREASURE: BOOK OF SECRETS (PG)** (11:20 @ \$6), 4:40, 10:30  
**ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS (PG)** (10:25 @ \$6), 1:30, 4:10

**AMC SELECT**  
**NO COUNTRY FOR OLD MEN (R)** 6:40, 10:10  
**THERE WILL BE BLOOD (R)** (10:35 @ \$6), 2:10, 6:05, 9:25  
**ATONEMENT (R)** 1:45, 8:05  
**JUNO (PG13)** (10:20 @ \$6), 1:10, 4:35, 7:25, 9:55

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**WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG13)** (10:35 @ \$6), 12:10, 1:20, 2:50, 4:10, 5:40, 7:00, 8:30, 9:50, 11:15  
**THE EYE (PG13)** (10:40 @ \$6), 1:10, 3:40, 6:10, 8:40, 11:10  
**OVER HER DEAD BODY (PG13)** 12:20, 2:40, 5:05, 7:40, 10:05  
**STRANGE WILDERNESS (R)** (10:25 @ \$6), 12:30, 2:35, 5:00, 7:20, 9:35  
**MEET THE SPARTANS (PG13)** (11:45 @ \$6), 2:00, 4:15, 6:30, 8:50, 11:05  
**MEET THE SPARTANS (PG13)** (11:45 @ \$6), 2:00, 4:15, 6:30, 8:50, 11:05  
**RAMBO (R)** (11:10 @ \$6), 1:40, 4:05, 6:40, 9:00, 11:20  
**UNTRACEABLE (R)** 12:15, 2:45, 5:20, 7:50, 10:20  
**27 DRESSES (PG13)** (11:00 @ \$6), 1:45, 4:25, 7:10, 10:00  
**CLOVERFIELD (PG13)** (11:15 @ \$6), 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:20, 10:35  
**THE BUCKET LIST (PG13)** (11:20 @ \$6), 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20

**AMC SELECT**  
**JUNO (PG13)** (10:20 @ \$6), 12:40, 3:05, 5:35, 8:10, 10:40

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**THE HOTTIE & THE NOTTIE (PG13)** (10:15 @ \$6), 12:35, 3:05, 5:40, 8:15, 10:35  
**VINCE VAUGHN'S WILD WEST COMEDY SHOW (R)** (10:00 @ \$6), 12:25, 2:55, 5:35, 8:05, 10:40  
**WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG13)** (10:35, 11:30 @ \$6), 12:20, 1:20, 2:20, 3:10, 4:10, 5:10, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 9:50, 10:50  
**WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG13)** (10:35 @ \$6), 12:20, 3:10, 6:00, 9:00  
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**RAMBO (R)** (10:10 @ \$6), 12:30, 2:50, 5:25, 7:55, 10:25  
**UNTRACEABLE (R)** (11:45 @ \$6), 2:15, 4:45, 7:35, 10:10  
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**CLOVERFIELD (PG13)** (10:45 @ \$6), 1:05, 3:15, 5:30, 7:40, 10:05  
**THE BUCKET LIST (PG13)** 2:25, 7:15  
**FIRST SUNDAY (PG13)** 12:00, 4:50, 9:40  
**NATIONAL TREASURE: BOOK OF SECRETS (PG)** 2:00, 7:20

**AMC SELECT**  
**JUNO (PG13)** (11:10 @ \$6), 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:25

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**JUNO (PG13)** (10:20 @ \$6), 12:40, 3:05, 5:35, 8:10, 10:40

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**MEET THE SPARTANS (PG13)** (11:00 @ \$6), 1:10, 3:35, 5:50, 8:05, 10:15  
**CHARLIE WILSON'S WAR (R)** (11:00 @ \$6), 1:10, 3:35, 5:50, 8:05, 10:15  
**MICHAEL CLAYTON (R)** (10:40 @ \$6), 4:20, 10:20  
**RAMBO (R)** (10:35 @ \$6), 1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:25, 12:45  
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**THE BUCKET LIST (PG13)** (11:20 @ \$6), 4:50, 10:10  
**NATIONAL TREASURE: BOOK OF SECRETS (PG)** 1:50, 7:15, 12:35  
**ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS (PG)** (10:30 @ \$6), 12:50, 3:05

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**ATONEMENT (R)** 1:25, 7:25  
**JUNO (PG13)** (10:25 @ \$6), 12:55, 3:25, 5:55, 8:20, 10:45

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**RAMBO (R)** (10:35 @ \$6), 1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:25, 12:45  
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**JUNO (PG13)** (10:25 @ \$6), 12:55, 3:25, 5:55, 8:20, 10:45

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# Television



**HOW MUCH LUCY IS TOO MUCH?** Trick question! There's no such thing as too much Lucy, which is why everyone should be pumped about "Ricky Loves Lucy Valentine's Day," four episodes that will air on Feb. 10 and Feb. 14 on TV Land.

## ON TV THIS WEEKEND

**‘LOST’ WITH LEMURS**  
Hooked on “Meerkat Manor”? Don’t miss **LEMUR KINGDOM** (8 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., Animal Planet, Fri.), the life-and-death struggles of two bands of masked primates on a small patch of the island of Madagascar.

**COLLEGIATE ATHLETE?**  
Reeling from recent setbacks, Smash receives a surprise offer on **FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS** (9 p.m., NBC, Fri.).

**ORGAN SWAP**  
A medical mystery may require a transplant on **HOUSE** (9 p.m., Fox, Fri.).

**GERVAIS HUMOR**  
Tired of comedy repeats? Don’t miss **FREE RADIO** (9:30 p.m., VH1, Fri.), a loosely scripted improvisational comedy combining the cracked logic of “The

Office” and the celebrity cameo appeal of “Extras.”

**LOVERS QUARREL**  
Paul and Gina disagree on **IN TREATMENT** (9:30 p.m., HBO, Fri.).

**FOR THE NIGHT OWLS**  
A drug charge leads to a horrible stint in a Turkish prison in the harrowing 1978 drama **MIDNIGHT EXPRESS** (4 a.m., TCM,



**LADY AND THE BUTLER:** Fiennes and Sarandon in “Bernard and Doris.”

Sat.), based on a script by then-unknown Oliver Stone.

**REHAB? YES, YES, YES**  
**TRUE HOLLYWOOD STORY** (6 p.m., E!, Sat.) profiles the troubled pop star Amy Winehouse.

**WEALTH AND SCANDAL**  
**BERNARD AND DORIS** (8 p.m., HBO, Sat.) is a made-for-TV drama based on the much-reported story of billionaire heiress Doris Duke (Susan Sarandon) and her butler, Bernard Lafferty (Ralph Fiennes). Lafferty’s name figured prominently in Duke’s will, and some suspect that he slowly killed her with drugs as he kept her isolated from the outside world.

**PEANUT LOVE**  
A little red-haired girl looms large in the 2002 special **A CHARLIE BROWN VALENTINE** (8 p.m., ABC, Sat.).

**BLAST FROM THE PAST**  
A visitor from the trenches of 1918 on

**TORCHWOOD** (9 p.m., BBC America, Sat.).

**IN MOURNING**  
Heath Ledger stars in the title role of the underrated 2005 period piece **CASANOVA** (10 p.m., Bravo, Sat.), co-starring Sienna Miller, Jeremy Irons, Oliver Platt and Lena Olin.

**GLOBAL WARNING**  
The two-hour special **SIX DEGREES COULD CHANGE THE WORLD** (8 p.m., National Geographic, Sun.) goes spanning the globe to demonstrate how atmospheric warming has already wrought climate change.

**BIG WINNERS, BIG LOSERS**  
Musicians perform and salute their own on **THE 50TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS** (8 p.m., CBS, Sun.).

**MANY MISS BENNETTS**  
“Masterpiece Theatre” (9 p.m., PBS, Sun.) repeats the 1995 miniseries ver-



**FRONT-RUNNER:** Kanye West leads the pack in Grammy noms this year.

sion of **PRIDE & PREJUDICE**, originally seen on A&E. Some see Colin Firth as the best Mr. Darcy ever.

**HIGH AND LOW**  
Marlo and Chris search for Omar on **THE WIRE** (9 p.m., HBO, Sun.). **KEVIN MCDONOUGH** (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

2.8.08	6:00 PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
LOCAL CHANNELS	WRC 4 News (N) [CC]		NBC Nightly News	Redskins Report	1 vs. 100 (N) [CC]		Friday Night Lights (N) [CC]		Las Vegas "Win, Place, Bingo" (N) [CC]		News (N) [CC]	Tonight Show
	WTTG 5 News (N)	TMZ (N) [CC]	The Simpsons [CC]	Seinfeld [CC]	Bones "A Boy in a Bush" [CC]		House "Sleeping Dogs Lie" [CC]		News (N)		News (N)	TMZ [CC]
	WJLA 7 News (N) [CC]	ABC Wild News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Grey's Anatomy [CC]		(:02) Desperate Housewives [CC]		(:02) 20/20 (N) [CC]		News (N) [CC]	(:35) Nightline (N)
	WUSA 9 News (N) [CC]	Evening News	News	Entertainment	Ghost Whisperer "No Safe Place" [CC]		Moonlight "Arrested Development" [CC]		NUMB3RS "Thirteen" [CC]		News (N) [CC]	Late Show
	WDCA 20 Judge Judy (N) [CC]	Judge Joe Brown	King of Queens	King of Queens	*** "Sherrybaby" (2006, Drama) Maggie Gyllenhaal. Premiere. [CC]		Every-Raymond	King of the Hill [CC]			Law & Order: Criminal Intent [CC]	
	WMPT 22 The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Business Rpt.	Business Rpt.	State Circle	Inside Wash.	Washington Week	Bill Moyers Journal (N) [CC]		Mystery! A brutal murder near a family estate. [CC]			Smart Travels
	WETA 26 BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Moneywise	Washington Week	Inside Wash.	Bill Moyers Journal (N) [CC]		NOW on PBS (N)	Soul of Justice: Thelton Henderson		Charlie Rose (N)
BASIC CABLE	WHUT 32 White House	Tavis Smiley [CC]	BBC World News	Moneywise	Eve. Exchange	To the Contrary	History Detectives [CC]		BBC World News	Tavis Smiley [CC]	Charlie Rose (N) [CC]	
	WDCW 50 My Wife and Kids	Family Guy [CC]	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) [CC]				Friends [CC]	Friends [CC]	Family Guy [CC]	Sex and the City
	A&E	Cold Case Files Mobile home murder.	CSI: Miami "Felony Flight" [CC]	CSI: NY "Manhattan Manhunt" [CC]	CSI: Miami "Shootout" [CC]		CSI: Miami "Cop Killer" [CC]		CSI: Miami "One Night Stand" [CC]			
	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter [CC]	Prehistoric Park "Insects" [CC]	Lemur Kingdom	Lemur Kingdom	Orangutan Island	Escape to Chimp Eden		Clinically Wild		Lemur Kingdom	Lemur Kingdom
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	Top 10 countdown. (N)	Hell Date [CC]	*** "The Color Purple" (1985) Whoopi Goldberg. Based on Alice Walker's portrait of a rural black woman. [CC]				Hell Date [CC]		Hell Date [CC]	Hell Date [CC]
	Bravo	The Millionaire Matchmaker [CC]	*** "Bridget Jones's Diary" (2001) Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth. [CC]		*** "Bridget Jones's Diary" (2001) Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth. [CC]				*** "Bridget Jones's Diary" [CC]			
	Comedy	(4:30) *** "Nurse Betty" (2000)	Scrubs [CC]	Scrubs [CC]	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Futurama [CC]	Futurama [CC]	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents
SPORTS	Court	World's Wildest Police Videos [CC]	Cops [CC]	Cops [CC]	World's Wildest	Survivorman [CC]	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Dunne: Power, Privilege & Justice		Murder by the Book "Lee Child"	
	Discovery	Cash Cab [CC]	Cash Cab [CC]	How It's Made	How It's Made	Survivorman [CC]	Man vs. Wild [CC]		Fight Quest "Korea" Korean hapkido.		Fight Quest Savate kickboxing.	
	DISCH	Code Blue Car-crash injuries. [CC]	Trauma: Life in the ER [CC]	Diagnosis X Unexplained paralysis.	Life or Death [CC]				Skeleton Stories "A Head for Murder"		Diagnosis X Unexplained paralysis.	
	Disney	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana	Zack & Cody	(:15) *** "Chicken Little" (2005) Voices of Zach Braff.	Phineas and Ferb		That's So Raven	Life With Derek	Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana
	E!	Pageant Moms	Chelsea Lately	E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	Love Behind Bars	The celebrity status of each convicted murderers.		The Soup (N)	Britney-Siege	E! News	Chelsea Lately
	FX	That '70s Show	*** "High Crimes" (2002, Suspense) Ashley Judd, Morgan Freeman, Jim Caviezel.		*** "Double Jeopardy" (1999, Suspense) Tommy Lee Jones, Ashley Judd.				Nip/Tuck "Lulu Grandiron"			
	HGTV	Extreme Homes	If Walls Could	House Worth?	House Hunters	Designed to Sell	Save My Bath	My Kitchen	Find Your Style	House Hunters	House Hunters	Get It Sold
MOVIES	Family	8 Simple Rules	8 Simple Rules	Grounded for Life	*** "Never Been Kissed" (1999) Drew Barrymore. A reporter poses as a high-school student.			America's Funniest Home Videos [CC]		The 700 Club [CC]		Parents House
	History	Man, Moment, Machine [CC]	Modern Marvels: Silver Mines [CC]	Modern Marvels: Truck Stops [CC]	Shockwave (N) [CC]				History of Sex: From		Modern Marvels: Snackfood Tech	
	Lifetime	Reba [CC]	Reba [CC]	Still Standing [CC]	Reba [CC]	Good Naked	Good Naked	Top Party: Orange	Party: Vegas	Will & Grace [CC]	Will & Grace [CC]	Will & Grace [CC]
	MTV	Beauty and the Geek [CC]	Beauty and the Geek [CC]	Beauty and the Geek [CC]	Randy Jackson Presents: America's Best Dance Crew			Real World -- Road	Rules Challenge		Jackass Race. [CC]	
	NICK	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh [CC]	Ned's School	Zoey 101 [CC]	Back, Barnyard	Avatar-Last Air	Tigre: Rivera	Tak and Power	George Lopez [CC]	George Lopez [CC]	Home Improve.
	SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 "Demons" [CC]	Chuck "Chuck Versus the Helicopter"	Flash Gordon "Revolution" [CC]	Stargate Atlantis "Outcast" [CC]			Stargate Atlantis "Trio" (N) [CC]		Flash Gordon "Revolution" [CC]		Flash Gordon "Revolution" [CC]
	SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation [CC]			World's Most Amazing Videos (N) [CC]		Disorderly Conduct: Video on Patrol		
NEWS	TBS	Friends [CC]	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	*** "The Bourne Supremacy" (2004, Suspense) (PA) Matt Damon, Franka Potente. [CC]				Sex and the City
	TLC	Property Ladder [CC]	Take Home Chef	Take Home Chef	Say Yes to the Dress [CC]			What Not to Wear Start dating again.		10 Years Younger Frizzy hair. (N)		What Not to Wear Start dating again.
	TNT	Law & Order "Deep Vote" [CC]	Law & Order "Empire" [CC] (DVS)		*** "Pretty Woman" (1990) Richard Gere, Julia Roberts. [CC]			(:15) *** "Pretty Woman" (1990) Richard Gere, Julia Roberts. [CC]				
	USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent [CC]	Monk [CC]		*** "The Dukes of Hazzard" (2005) Johnny Knoxville. Premiere. [CC]			Psych (N) [CC]		House "It's a Wonderful Lie" [CC]		
	VHI	Rock of Love With Bret Michaels [CC]	Rock of Love With Bret Michaels [CC]		Celebrity Rehab With Dr. Drew [CC]			Best Week Ever	Free Radio (N) [CC]	Free Radio (N) [CC]	My Fair Brady	Best Week Ever
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MOVIES	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) [CC]		NBA Shootaround	NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at Minnesota Timberwolves. (Live) [CC]			NBA Basketball Washington Wizards at Denver Nuggets.				
	ESPN2	NASCAR Now	Rome-Burning	Dale Jr. -- Shifting Gears (N)	Arm Wrestling	Arm Wrestling	Boxing Friday Night Fights. B.J. Flores vs. Darnell Wilson. From Dover, Del.			SportsCenter (Live) [CC]		
	CSN	SportsNite [CC]	SportsNite [CC]	NHL Hockey Carolina Hurricanes at Washington Capitals. (Subject to Blackout) (S Live)			SportsNite [CC]	SportsNite [CC]	NBA Basketball Washington Wizards at Denver Nuggets.			
	CNN	(4:00) The Situation Room	Lou Dobbs Tonight [CC]		CNN Election Center		Larry King Live [CC]		Anderson Cooper 360 [CC]			
	FNC	Special Report [CC]	The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor [CC]		Hannity & Colmes [CC]		On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor	
	MSNBC	Tucker	Hardball [CC]		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		Lockup: Holman		MSNBC Investigates		Sex Slaves in America	
	AMC	(5:00) *** "The Matrix" (1999, Science Fiction) Keanu Reeves. 'R' [CC]		*** "Jurassic Park" (1993, Science Fiction) Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum. 'PG-13'			(:45) *** "Species" (1995) Ben Kingsley. 'R' [CC]					
MOVIES	TCM	*** "Kitty Foyle" (1940, Drama) Ginger Rogers, Dennis Morgan. 'NR'		*** "Bound for Glory" (1976, Biography) David Carradine, Ronny Cox, Melinda Dillon. 'PG'			*** "Voyage of the Damned" (1976) Faye Dunaway.					
	HBO	(5:15) *** "The Family Stone" [CC]	Inside the NFL [CC]	The Wire "React Quotes" [CC]	In Treatment [CC]	In Treatment [CC]	Entourage [CC]	Entourage [CC]	Real Time With Bill Maher [CC]			
	MAX	Lightning Jack [CC]	(:40) *** "The Number 23" (2007) Jim Carrey. [CC]	(:15) *** "16 Blocks" (2006, Action) Bruce Willis. [CC]	(:15) *** "Die Hard 2" (1990, Action) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia. [CC]							
	SHOW	(:10) *** "Down in the Valley" (2005) Edward Norton. iTV. [CC]	(:10) *** "Pride" (2007, Drama) Terrence Howard, Bernie Mac. iTV. 'PG'	(:15) *** "Benny & Joon" (1993, Romance) Johnny Depp. [CC]	(:15) *** "Wild Hogs" (2007) Tim Allen. [CC]							
	TMC	(5:05) District B13	*** "Aeon Flux" (2005) Charlize Theron. 'PG-13' [CC]									
	STARZ!	(5:35) *** "The Grudge 2" (2006) Amber Tamblyn. 'PG-13'	(:20) *** "Gray Matters" (2006) Heather Graham. 'PG-13'									
	ENCORE	(:05) *** "The Frighteners" (1996, Suspense) Michael J. Fox. [CC]		*** "The Guardian" (2006, Drama) Kevin Costner, Ashton Kutcher. Premiere. [CC]								



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## Science

### Global conservation groups name 2008 the Year of the Frog

They say you have to kiss a lot of frogs to find a prince. Still, with more than 6,000 species of amphibians around the world, you might think the odds are pretty good, if you can stand the slimy lips.

But frogs are disappearing at an alarming rate — scientists estimate that one-third to one-half of amphibian species are in danger of extinction. That's why this year — a leap year — of course — has been designated as the Year of the Frog by global conservation organizations. To raise awareness, many zoos and aquariums across the country will be holding events on leap day, Feb. 29.

Internet dating may have replaced amphibian-smooching in the modern search for a mate. But there are many other reasons that the loss of frogs should concern all of us.

"Frogs are really good indicators of what's going on in the environment around us," says Kym Gopp, associate curator of conservation at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo

in Ohio.

Most frogs live both in water and on land at different stages of their lives, as tadpoles and as adults, so they're affected by problems in both types of habitat. And since they take in water directly through their delicate skin, they're acutely sensitive to water quality.

So, frogs can be seen as an early warning system of problems that may eventually affect the rest of us. "If chemicals in the water cause mutations and reproductive problems in frogs, think what it could be doing to humans," says Vicky Poole of the National Aquarium in Baltimore.

**"Frogs are really good indicators of what's going on in the environment around us."**

KYM GOPP, ZOO CURATOR

Frogs are important for other reasons, too. Frogs and tadpoles consume huge numbers of insects — many of which cause crop damage and disease — and are themselves an important food source for many other species. And amphib-

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# Leap Year

ians are valuable to science in ways that directly affect humans.

"They're important because they've had a huge role in medicine, research and medical applications," says Shelly Grow, conservation biologist with Association of Zoos and Aquariums. "Many medical compounds have been found because of the secretions in their skin or the microbial communities on their skin."

Why are frogs disappearing so

area, 50 percent in the area might go extinct within six months," says Grow.

Some species affected by the fungus have been successfully bred in captivity, like the Panamanian golden frog. But fast action is critical if conservationists hope to reproduce this success. Fortunately for the golden frog, Grow says, a lot of research was done before the population was reduced, so zoos knew how to breed them in captivity. Other species don't have this advantage.

"The room for trial and error is now particularly slim," says Grow.

Of course, even if we successfully breed a species, what if their habitat has been destroyed? As Poole says, "I can't go and return a frog to a parking lot." LINDA LOMBARDI (AP)

rapidly? Like many other animals, they are affected by habitat loss and climate change, as well as pollution. But a special problem is a disease that's spreading all over the world, a fungus of a type called chytrid.

"When this fungus arrives in an

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### MUSIC

#### Singing Solo

Former To-Isis lead singer Duane Stephenson has penned huge hits for other Jamaican artists, such as Jah Cure's "Reflections." But he's gone solo with his new CD, "From August Town," and on Saturday he'll open for Tarrus Riley at Crossroads. Christopher Porter spoke with the budding reggae star. | [COMING UP](#)



### FREE RIDE

#### Miracle on 14th Street

In all of D.C.'s theaters, you won't find a story like the Source Theatre's. Rachel Kaufman chronicles the 30-year history of the 14th Street NW playhouse-turned-community arts revival project—including how it nearly became a billiards hall. | [ONLINE NOW](#)

### FILM

#### Ordinary People

When filmmaker Charles Burnett attended UCLA in the 1970s, indie cinema was focused on artistic imagery rather than production efficiency. Glenn Dixon profiles Burnett's slice-of-life movie style, on display at AFI Silver starting Saturday. | [ONLINE NOW](#)



## comment board

### “A 14-year old

neighbor [of mine] was robbed of his iPod on the Yellow Line platform at Chinatown ... at 3 p.m.! That's just ridiculous.”

**COMMENTER GW**, WHO ADDED, “THERE'S NO REASON ANY OF THIS SHOULD BE HAPPENING. WE ALL NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB!”

### “[Yes.] The little

sneak pulled my pack under the seat, took [my] purse and proceeded to have a field day with my credit cards.”

**COMMENTER MBH**, WHO ADDED, “I DID APPRECIATE HIS LEAVING EVERYTHING ELSE, AT LEAST. YOU CAN BET THAT I NO LONGER LEAVE MY BACKPACK ON THE FLOOR!”



**“Yes, a man robbed** a senior citizen of her wheelchair, and then sat in the wheelchair just to pay the reduced fare in order to board the 70 bus. Unbelievable.”

**COMMENTER OMAR**, RESPONDING TO THURSDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, “DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO'S BEEN ROBBED WHILE RIDING ON THE METRO?”

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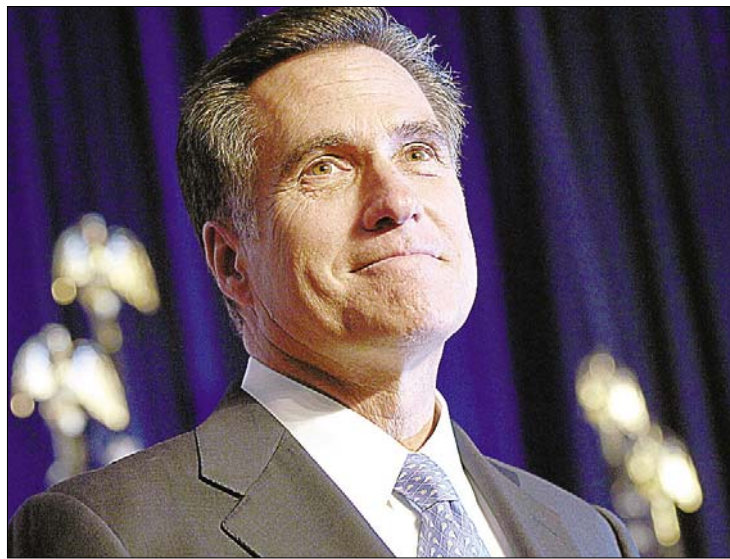
**YES 19%**

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“I saw [Marion] Barry on MSNBC. ... I think I heard him say ‘abomaly,’ which appears to be a mixture of ‘anomaly’ and ‘abnormality.’”

A COMMENTER AT [BLOG.WASHINGTONPOST.COM/RAWFISHER](http://BLOG.WASHINGTONPOST.COM/RAWFISHER) REACTS TO D.C. COUNCIL MEMBER MARION BARRY'S ENDORSEMENT OF DEMOCRAT BARACK OBAMA FOR PRESIDENT.



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**“Romney's campaign ... felt the need to always portray [him] as the perfect candidate for whatever audience he was in front of.”**

**REDSTATE.COM** ANALYZES THE FAILINGS OF THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDACY OF MITT ROMNEY, WHO DROPPED OUT OF THE 2008 WHITE HOUSE RACE ON THURSDAY.



## Discussions

### Bruce Boudreau

Washington Capitals coach **BRUCE BOUDREAU** was online Thursday to talk about the team and his coaching philosophy.



**How do you like your new job?**

It is everything that I thought it would be, and when the people you work with are great people, it makes it a lot easier as well.

**Seventy goals for Alex Ovechkin)?**  
Seventy goals is a lot in today's

NHL, but I certainly would not count against it. He continues to amaze me every game.

**Fighting seems to be becoming more and more infrequent; Caps players were only involved in four fights in December and four in January. Is fighting still a factor in the way the game is played today?**

Fighting is absolutely still part of the game today. We can put a pretty tough lineup together, so I don't think teams want to get into that game with us. Plus, our guys that are tough can also play, so we don't want them in the penalty box for the entire game.

**Have teams locked down on you**

**guys? It seems scores are lower and lower.**

The scores are lower because we are getting closer to playoff time and teams are buckling down even more than normal.

**What do you say to purist fans of hockey who bemoan the fact that Ovechkin will spend his career in a weak market for hockey?**

I don't think Alex would have signed a 13-year contract if he felt that way. This is going to be a great hockey market very soon.

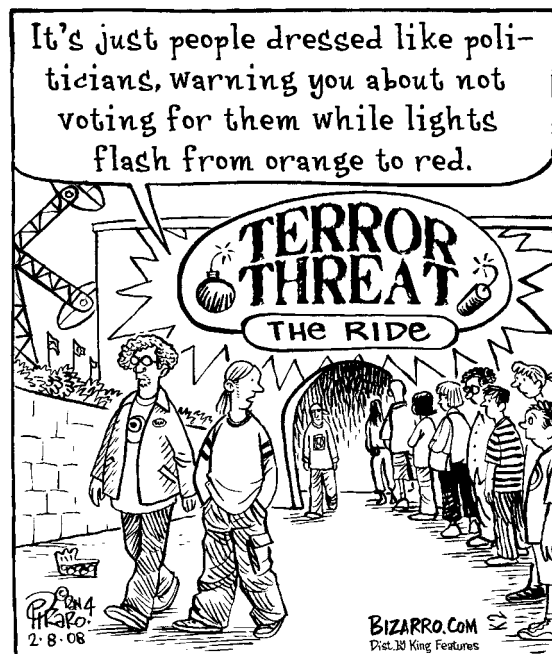
### TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS:

The staff looks ahead to Valentine's Day and asks readers to weigh in on what love means at 11 a.m. | [washingtonpost.com/discussions](http://washingtonpost.com/discussions).

## DON'T

**MAKE SUMMER SMITHSONIAN PLANS YET.** The Smithsonian's National Museum of American History is delaying its reopening from this summer to the fall. Director Brent Glass says an exact date has not been set for the remodeled museum's reopening.



**Bizarro** | Dan Piraro

**Cornered** | Mike Baldwin


"I do. But not literally."

**Pooch Cafe** | Paul Gilligan

**Pearls Before Swine** | Stephan Pastis

**The Duplex** | Glenn McCoy


## Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** You're not about to go without the attentions of the one you love—but in return, you're going to have to offer something valuable.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** Alliances may be unclear during the first part of the day, until one chance encounter clears up any confusion that you may have had.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Have no fear of that which you do not know; only familiar threats will carry any weight—and even then you'll be able to ward them off.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Something that happened long ago is likely to prove quite important to you. You must take time to figure out an unexpected dilemma.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You have a good reason to get well ahead of the game. You will derive inspiration from unusual sources all day long.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** You may have a rare opportunity to relive something that was an extra-special experience for

you long, long ago. Enjoy.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Intimate affairs are best addressed at a time and place that allow you the greatest freedom to express yourself. You must be honest, sensitive.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Leave it to friends to complicate an issue that you had all but resolved. You're going to have to patch things up once again.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** The lesson for today is that there are, indeed, two sides to every issue. Every encounter you have is likely to bring this message home.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** This is not the time to get bogged down with details. Broad strokes are called for right now. Jump in and enjoy where the current takes you.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** You may not realize just how you are affecting your own chances of success by letting your behavior be dictated by unconscious forces.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** You must guard against having anyone take advantage of you — consciously or unconsciously. Libra individuals require special care.



Anna Nicole Smith died at 39 on this day last year of an accidental drug overdose.

## Today in History

**1587** Mary, Queen of Scots, is beheaded in England after she was implicated in a plot to murder her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I.

**1915** D.W. Griffith's groundbreaking and controversial movie about the Civil War, "The Birth of a Nation," premieres in Los Angeles.

**1968** Three college students are killed in a confrontation with highway patrolmen in Orangeburg,

S.C., during a civil rights protest against a whites-only bowling alley.

**2007** Anna Nicole Smith dies at age 39 of an accidental drug overdose.

### Corrections:

An item in Thursday's Weekend Pass said musician Barry Manilow will perform at the Patriot Center. He'll play at Verizon Center Saturday. Also, a caption in Wednesday's paper said Fat Tuesday is the first day of Mardi Gras. It is the last day.



# LOOK out

## People



STEVEN SENNE/AP

Glenn Close was shocked. Paris Hilton was getting an award at Harvard!

### BLONDES

#### 'I Knew Elle Woods and You, Paris, Are No Elle Woods'

**PARIS HILTON** found herself somewhere she never thought she'd be: Harvard. "Harvard is hot!" she said Wednesday as she picked up the Harvard Lampoon humor magazine's "Woman of the Year" award. "Never in my wildest dreams did I imagine standing here, standing on the steps of the Harvard Lampoon. It's really exciting and I've had such a great time," said Hilton, who stars as an attractive best friend to an ugly duckling in the film "The Hot Chick & the Nottie." (AP)



STEPHEN LOVING/GETTY IMAGES

Lourdes trust fund is contingent on never once tweezing her brows.

### LAME

#### Whatever. They Even Let Non-Humanitarians In

**MADONNA**, Chris Rock and dozens of other celebrities raised \$3.7 million at a star-studded benefit at the United Nations to help poor and sick children around the world. The \$2,500-a-plate dinner and live auction hosted by Rock on Wednesday was an unusual blend of charity and commercial promotion for the U.N.

Gucci, which paid the costs, pegged the event to the Friday opening of its flagship store on Fifth Avenue and put its logo and UNICEF's behind the walkway where celebrities were photographed. (AP)



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### GRAMMYS

## Amy Not Welcome in U.S.

**AMY WINEHOUSE** will not be performing at this year's Grammy Awards because her request for a visa has been turned down by the U.S. Embassy. "Amy has been progressing well since entering a rehabilitation clinic two weeks ago and although disappointed with the decision has accepted the ruling and will be concentrating on her recovery," her publicity firm said in a statement. (AP)

### DECADES

#### Author, 56, Is Puzzled by 'Lifetime' Part of Awards



**TERRY MCMILLAN** has been honored with a lifetime achievement award from Essence for her novels about the everyday struggles of modern American black women. McMillan's best-known books are "How Stella Got Her Groove Back" and "Waiting to Exhale." (AP)



SPC. JAMES DEADY/AP/GETTY IMAGES

"If Shiloh and Zahara want to tweeze their brows, that's totally fine with me."

### NOT-LAME

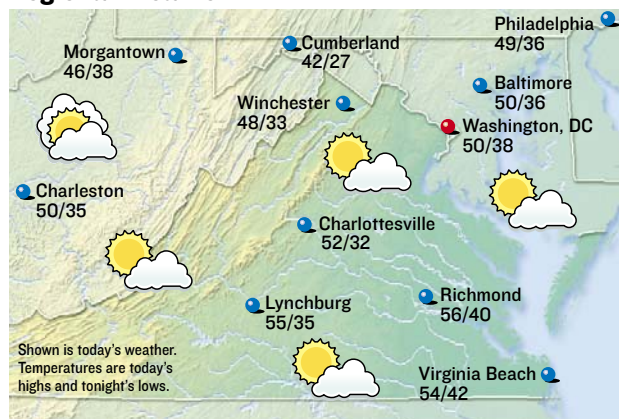
#### Angelina Skipped Lame UN Party, Did Real Work

**ANGELINA JOLIE** brought her star power to Baghdad on Thursday on a mission as a U.N. goodwill ambassador to highlight the plight of Iraqi refugees. The actress said there needs to be a more coherent plan as the more than 2 million internally displaced Iraqis begin to trickle back to their homes amid a recent lull in violence that had threatened to spark a civil war in the country. (AP)

### 5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
50°	38°	54° / 36°	38° / 25°	45° / 32°	52° / 38°

### Regional Weather



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### Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.

#### Temperature

High	59°
Low	49°
Normal high	45°
Normal low	28°
Average humidity	39%

#### Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	0.14"
Month to date	2.20"
Normal month to date	0.64"
Year to date	3.57"
Last year to date	2.61"
Normal year to date	3.85"

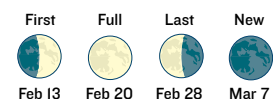
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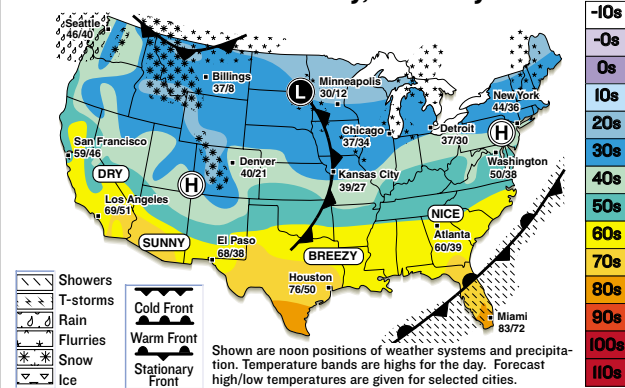
**D.C. Metro:** Today, partly sunny. High 50. Wind west 4-8 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 38. Wind southeast 4-8 mph.

### Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	7:08 a.m.
Sunset tonight	5:37 p.m.
Moonrise today	7:56 a.m.
Moonset today	7:31 p.m.



### National Weather for Friday, February 8



### National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Atlanta	60/39/s	61/38/s
Boston	37/27/sf	40/32/sn
Chicago	37/34/sf	35/4/sn
Dallas	66/38/s	70/45/s
Denver	40/21/pc	55/25/pc
Honolulu	79/69/pc	80/69/pc
Los Angeles	69/51/s	77/50/s
Miami	83/72/t	82/64/t
New York City	44/36/pc	45/35/c
Orlando	76/60/pc	80/51/pc
Seattle	46/40/r	49/42/r

### World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Amsterdam	48/36/s	50/36/pc
Athens	52/46/r	50/43/r
Berlin	45/34/pc	50/34/pc
Buenos Aires	81/64/t	86/63/pc
Calgary	25/-15/sn	7/6/sn
Dublin	54/43/pc	54/43/pc
Geneva	50/34/s	53/35/s
Moscow	34/28/sf	34/28/c
Rome	54/43/s	57/36/s
Sydney	72/65/pc	69/62/t
Tokyo	47/34/s	44/39/r

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.



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**Need more Su|do|ku?**  
Find another Sudoku puzzle in the Comics section of the Post every Sunday and in the Style section Monday through Saturday.





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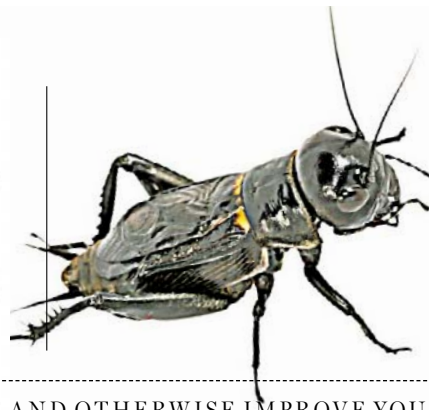
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A woman with dark hair pulled back, wearing a white chef's uniform, is smiling broadly at the camera. She is holding a wooden skewer with three cherry tomatoes. The background is a kitchen with red cabinets and a white countertop. A silver pot is visible on the left, and a small green plant is on the right.

JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

# IN THE POST TODAY



**The Washington Post**  
If you don't get it, you don't get it.





## Rocks This Way

**GREEN AMETHYSTS**, milky chalcedony chunks and Hermes-box orange carnelian rondelles decorate jewelry maker Allyson Smith's delicate and dreamy necklaces (shown, \$348), chandelier earrings and lariats. The New York bling babe — the darling of celebs like Amanda Peet and Keri Russell — will show and sell her wares at a trunk show Feb. 9, 7 to 10 p.m., at Hoopla Traders (2314 18th St. NW; 202-797-0730).



## 4 Grape Access to the Metro

**STEELY VERTICAL RACKS** cradle hundreds of bottles of wine at Domasoteca (1121 N. 19th St., Arlington; 703-894-5104), the sleek new vino and posh snack emporium inside Rosslyn's new Hotel Palomar. Sips and noshes ready for a party (or hotel room picnic) range from green olive ciabatta (\$5 per loaf) to bargain-priced Monte Degli Angeli Pinot Noir (\$8). Feb. 10 from 3 to 6 p.m., the shop hosts a wine and chocolate tasting.

**Grab Bag**



## 2 Prints at Pauper Prices

**THE BIRDS, POSIES** and Baroque swirls of New York's hip Dwell Studio bedding and table linens headline on design blogs and in groovy pads. The mod firm is now selling style mojo for less via a Target line. Nursery bedding and kitchen stuff like a leafy mitt (\$5) are now in stores and online; bedding arrives next week.

## 3 Cardiac Cake Unit

**LITTLE KIDS** and cupcake junkies will heart little treats baked using Crown's newest pan (\$24, Williams-sonoma.com). The thing is nonstick, meaning there'll be no ugly, blob-shaped confections this V-Day. But is it wrong that we have the urge to make multicolored Jell-O shots with it and invite our friends over for a drunken lonely hearts bash?

## Glamour to Go

**FOR THE SLIGHTEST** tint, or last-minute television appearances that will be broadcast in high-def, grab Givenchy's Perfect Again! Correct Set (\$38, Sephora). Creamy and luxurious, the shades brighten and lighten skin tones. Tilt the quad of colors to find a hidden drawer of brushes — one has a beveled sponge tip.



## dear manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOEBLOGGER

**Valentine's Day is coming next week, and my husband is taking me out to a romantic dinner at a very expensive restaurant. I've got my little black dress, but I need some suitably sexy shoes.** — JANICE

■ Manolo says, ayyyy! It is the Day of Valentine, one of the most potentially dangerous and depressing days in the entire calendar. Those who do not have the beloveds are cast down into the pits of gloomy morosity. While those who do have the beloveds sail dangerous-



ly close to the rocky shores of gift giving. Both the gift that is sent and the gift that is received reflect upon the character and depth of the relationship, and any error in judgment results in pain and suffering for all. Woe be to the simple working man who brings home to his beloved the gift of cheap chocolates and small kitchen appliances. And woe be to the devoted woman who does not understand the necessity of providing her good man with the soft looks, exposed flesh and physical enthusiasm demanded by the votaries of Eros. Look, here is the Eiffel (\$450) from Stuart Weitzman, the sandal with the French name, so it must be romantic, no?



Ask the Manolo a question at [manolo@shoeblogs.com](mailto:manolo@shoeblogs.com). Visit the Manolo at [shoeblogs.com](http://shoeblogs.com).

## event horizon

→ On Valentine's Day, show you adore your beer-loving baby by taking him or her to sample green peppercorn bock, chocolate stout, a really hoppy IPA and other wild brews at a free specialty brewski tasting. Feb. 14, 4-7 p.m. The Wine Specialist, 2115 M St. NW, 202-833-0707



# Styles | holidays

## secret source



### Grammar of Love

■ Here's an argument no couple should die without having: Is "Converse" a plural or singular noun? Example: "Honey, should I refer to those two pairs of stinky, disgusting Chuck Taylors as your 'Converse' or your 'Converses'?" Converse? Converses? Conversae?

Of course, to stage this debate, one must first have multiple pairs of the sneaker in question. And even the canvas ones are pricey these days—a pair

A complete declension of the noun 'Converse' is probably impossible.

of low-top men's Chucks (also known as All Stars) are \$42 at Zappos.com.

Thus, the opening of the Converse online outlet is a major deal for fans. Go to [Converse.com/outlet](http://Converse.com/outlet) for nearly 400 styles; the ones pictured cost, from top down, \$28 (from \$47), \$36 (from \$60) and \$33 (from \$55). We suggest the uppermost pair, which depicts tiny broken hearts, for the spinster in your life.

As if that's not enough confusingly named footwear, a new line of One Star clothes and shoes is selling at Target. (One Stars look like All Stars with a few differences in grommets, stitching, etc.) The six men's pairs go for \$30 to \$40. (And we say the plural's just "Converse.")

HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)



#### (1) varsity reds

Banana Republic's cashmere Monogram V-neck has a slimmer fit that would pair well with dark denim and a crisp white button-up. Skip the heart-shaped boxers, though. (\$99, Banana Republic)

#### (2) love=mix tape

Remember when a cassette could say it all? Put a modern playlist on this old-school 64 MB USB drive. It's all the sweetness of sharing music without the gritty rewind duty. (\$20, Alpha-man.com)

#### (3) scent by male

Notes of chilled solid amber (?), chilled sudachi (??) and hydroponic sage (???) gives Calvin Klein's Euphoria its spicy Oriental vibe. It's like date night in a bottle! (\$62, Macys)

## A Plan for Your Man

If he knows what's good for him, your guy's about to lay down some major dough. Since you're going to have to reciprocate in one way or another, you might as well get him a Valentine's Day present you'll enjoy, too. Follow our gift guide, and he'll smell good, look good, broaden his movie repertoire and serve drinks sans Solo cups. No word yet on advancements in the field of ESPN repellent. ASHLEY JOY PARKER

#### (4) lug with love

Kenneth Cole's carryall has a removable leather shoulder strap that'll make Metro rides comfy, sans bulgy backpack. (\$275, Kenneth Cole, Montgomery Mall; 301-469-0310)

#### (5) hope floats

This deco design isn't just for show: The suspended bowls at the bottom of these martini glasses serve to elevate condensation, so kiss coasters goodbye. (\$100 per pair, Alpha-man.com)

#### (6) not sent by mail

Movie men will drool for VUDU, a black box cross between Netflix and TiVo. It offers instant access to almost 5,000 films for purchase or rental. (\$400, Alpha-man.com or Vudu.com)



# I'm Sure, It's Charmed

Accessorize wine glasses so you won't sip another's

The upside of every wine-and-cheese party? The chance to swill delicious fermented grape juice with friends. The downside? Losing your glass. This particular drunkard's affliction hobbles me more often than it does Tom, but there's an easy-enough solution to keep the his-and-hers stems separate: wine-glass charms.

These vino-vessel ID bracelets retail for \$12 to \$24 at online shops, but the homemade ones here set us back only a few bucks and about 20 minutes. Plus, picking your own beads means avoiding schmaltzy themes or tacky color schemes.

## BUY BEADS

If each bracelet is going to be a distinct identifier for your dinner guests' glasses, a variety of hues is crucial. Try to find a selection of beads that look alike but vary slightly.

In two examples above, I added secondary beads. The silver balls unify the group of oval charms on the right, while cheerful stars on the left set differentiate the otherwise identical turtle beads.

**DIY**  
**DUO**



## LOOP IT UP

**2** I was lucky enough to score a huge bag of beading hoops — flimsy rings you can open and shut to add beads or fit around wine-glass stems — at a craft warehouse a few years ago. Michaels of Alexandria told me it has a bag of assorted sizes for \$3, but you can also fairly easily make your own out of eye pins, which are straight wire pins with loops on the bottoms. Jewelry wire would work just as well, but using an eye pin saves you the trouble of making the tiny loop at the end of the ring.

If you're not using hoops, slide your chosen beads onto the eye pin, then use pliers to shape the wire into a circle.

The turtle and round, swirly beads proved to be a challenge: They were too big to fit on the rings lengthwise. So I threaded each onto a headpin (a wire with a blunt stopper at one end, as on the straight pins used in sewing). I then looped the remaining wire around the hoop and secured it by tightly wrapping the wire around itself. Pinch it hard with some pliers, and you're done.

## shopping list

- Six oval beads: \$2, A.C. Moore
- Bag of 80 silver beads: \$1.67, A.C. Moore
- Turtle beads: \$2, A.C. Moore
- Star beads: 20 cents each, Beadazzled (Beadazzled.net)
- Red, blue and green big beads: \$1 apiece, Beadazzled
- Two-inch eye pins: 50 cents apiece, Beadazzled; or beading hoops: \$3 for about 20, Michaels
- Jewelry wire: \$3 for 30 feet
- Head pins: \$1.25 for 25

**3 NOTCH IT, NATURALLY** Use the pliers to bend the end of the eye pin or hoop (the part doesn't end in a loop) so that  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch of the tip is almost perpendicular to the circle. When inserted into the loop, that notched tip will fasten the pin around the glass.

For each charm to be a distinct identifier, a variety of colors is crucial.

**4 CARE FOR YOUR CORK** Because we can't resist the crafting impulse, we used the remaining materials to create charms for the corks to cap the rare unfinished bottle.

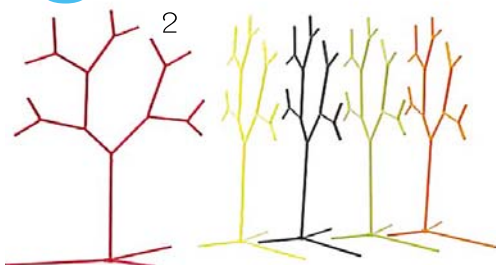
For the oval-shaped set, I strung a trio of beads on some jewelry wire and rigged that across the beading hoop. For the turtle set, I strung two silver balls on the hoop and used a star bead to fasten it together. And for the blue-green-red family, I strung some jewelry wire through a large blue bead.

I used pliers to fasten each charm to a T-pin, which can be inserted into plastic and traditional corks. So, even when the bottle runs dry, the charm can be transferred to the next one — but your glass will stick right with you.

→ Julia Beizer and her fiancé, Tom, guide newbies through basic home-improvement tasks in our pages a few times per month.

## what we bought

5 B Boron 10.8	6 C Carbon 12.0	7 N Nitrogen 14.0
13 Al Aluminum 27.0	14 Si Silicon 28.1	15 P Phosphorus 31.0
31 Ga Gallium 69.7	32 Ge Germanium 72.6	33 As Arsenic 74.9



(1) **Periodic Table Shower Curtain** will make you cleaner and smarter. You can study CA while musing on the CAN! (\$30, Thinkgeek.com) (2) **Mini metal trees** hold necklaces and bracelets on a dresser. (\$5, Ikea) (3) **'Robot R&R' poster** is one of many in artist Eric Joyner's robot-and-doughnut-centric repertoire. (medium \$25, large \$36, Ericjoyner.com) (4) **Schylling's wind-up Martian toy** looks a lot like an itty-bitty barbecue grill. (\$15, Fatbraintoy.com)



## event horizon

→ See mod movie interiors circa 1959 at a screening of the Joan Crawford flick "The Best of Everything," part of a "Bachelors, Secretaries and Spies" fest of stylish mid-century films. \$10. Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m. National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW

→ Get tips on how to tile your bathroom or kitchen at a free clinic Feb. 9, 11 a.m.-noon. Home Depot, 6210 Seven Corners Ctr., Falls Church; 703-534-9580



# TAdda to Your Wrist

**Ancient Egyptian queens,** Wonder Woman and 1980s punkers all knew the style superpowers of cuff bracelets. Both tender and tough, such dramatic arm candy can zap a simple black dress from boring to bodacious or add an edge to jeans and a T-shirt. "The wrist is a really interesting part of the body," says New York jewelry designer Wendy Nichol. "Adding a stack of cuffs to it turns an outfit up a notch." Nichol's bold bracelets use snakeskin, leather and studs in a Chanel-goes-to-CBGB's way. Other designers whip up bangles and bands in wood, printed aluminum or even rubber, as in the case of Brooklyn's industrial-cool Steel Couture. Still, don't overdo the wristy business — too many bracelets says fortune teller, not fashionista. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

**one** | Just snake it: Python skin meets gold-plated brass on a wild-yet-delicate bracelet by Wendy Nichol. It's subtle and small enough to pair with another skinny cuff or to wear alone to a conservative office. (\$187, Ravinstyle.com)

**three** | Hand-dyed, hand-stamped leather stars in British Colombian artist Holly Wilson's woody armband, which would groove up a brown dress. Other styles feature birds, leaves and similar earthy motifs. (\$20, Hollyhawk.etsy.com)

**five** | Purples, yellows and browns create an ethereal, tie-dye-like effect on Jane Adam's anodized aluminum cuff. She made it using a woodblock printing technique. (\$350, Jewelers' Werk Galerie, 3319 Cady's Alley NW; 202-337-3319)

**two** | Just riveting when paired with a girly, three-quarter sleeve jacket or romantic blouse, Wendy Nichol's gold-plated cuff boasts a leather bow bolted in by rugged studs. (\$198, Ravinstyle.com)

**four** | As stretchy as a Slinky, but far swankier, Claudia Hoppe's flexible 18-karat gold bracelet adds goddessy glam to cocktail frocks. (\$2,520, I Gorman Jewelers, 1133 20th St. NW; 202-775-8544; igorman.com)

**six** | Smacking of both medieval knights and Reagan-era Madonna, Steel Couture's rubber and metal cuff stretches to fit most arms — and the padlock heart makes it a Goth-cool choice for Valentine's Day. (\$54, Steelcouture.com)





bonnet required) with Allison Daniel's silver-plated cameo cuff. Oversize and dramatic, it would impress Mr. Darcs with a ruffled, strapless top. (\$98, Allisondanieldesigns.com)

**nine** | Like an Art Nouveau piece you'd pick up in a Prague antique store — but with no gazillion-euro price tag — an openwork bracelet gives a dose of Old World charm to a tailored shirt or crisp jacket. (\$75, Pilgrim)

**eleven** | Equal parts biker chick and Victorian lady, Allison Daniel's cuff makes wearing your heart on your sleeve seem hip, not hokey. (\$78, Allisondanieldesigns.com)

**thirteen** | Chunky faux coral pyramids cap wooden tiles on a stretchy cuff. The budget price means you can scoop up an armfull to wear with a white sundress in warmer weather. (\$5.80, Forever 21)



sex number of canvas and leather. Its indie mood is perfectly in tune with jeans and your Vampire Weekend T-shirt. (\$78, Pilgrim, 3225 M St. NW; 202-703-203-2311)

**ten** | Mod squad black and white is back for spring (it never goes away, really). A stretchy, enameled piece in the classic non-color combo looks best with solid, bright pieces — a red sweater, a cobalt blouse. (\$9.80, Forever 21)

**twelve** | Didn't score any 1960s, Palm Beach bracelets from Mom or Grandma? Fake a fine vintage find with J. Crew's enamel and turquoise bead beauty. It'd be particularly chic with a black tunic. (\$68, Jcrew.com)

**fourteen** | You'd swear the cabochon gems on J. Crew's mosaic and enamel stunner were real — so there's no need to fess up that you're sporting costume jewelry, not a family heirloom. (\$150, Jcrew.com)

**fifteen** | Big and bold, a super-thick patent leather bangle in Kelly green looks great alone — or over-the-top cool worn with a bunch of other hot-hued bracelets. (\$68, Nordstrom, Fashion Centre at Pentagon City; 703-415-1121)

**on the cover**

Is Conrad Valett's silver bracelet jewelry or art? We say both, particularly if you wear it with a short-sleeve blouse that shows off its sexy shape. (\$275, Jewelers' Werk Galerie, 3319 Cady's Alley NW; 202-337-3319)

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# Yes, We Can Candy

Surprise your sweetie with homemade chocolates

**What can you suggest to use chocolate-wise for candy molds other than those disk-shaped melting chocolates they sell at Michael's? I'm looking to make richer treats for my co-workers.**

Those discs are not always the best-quality chocolate. You can mold chocolates and make bark and other chocolate treats from any chocolate in bar form or sold in bulk. If you like dark chocolate look for chocolate labeled 70 percent or thereabouts — that means it has at least 70 percent cocoa solids. That should give you a rich taste. Just chop it up fine so it is about the size of the discs; that way, it will melt evenly.

**I have tried several times to make hard caramel (a cookbook of mine has instructions on making caramel "cages"). Per its recipe, I boil the syrup until it starts to darken and then either put the pot into a pan of cool water, stir some boiling water into the syrup or add cream. Each time, my caramel turns into a brick almost immediately, and I am left candy-less, chipping at the pan for days. What am I doing wrong?**

Making a caramel cage requires using only the burned sugar. You cannot get the caramel to solidify into strands if you add water or cream to it once it's a dark brown. Placing it in a larger pan of cold water will help stop the cooking and thicken it a bit so you can drizzle it onto your mold (whether that's an upturned bowl or another rounded and greased heat-safe object). But you must only dip it in the cold water briefly. If you sit it in there and let it be, it will firm up too quickly and you won't be able to work with it, as you have found out. After it starts to cool and thicken, use a fork to drizzle the burnt sugar over the mold. Once it's hard, pull it



off and, voila, a caramel cage.

**I recently took a stab at making chocolate truffles. I neglected to research how to properly temper chocolate. I went through five bags of chocolate because I didn't realize water causes chocolate to seize. So, now I have a Ziploc bag full of seized chocolate in the freezer. Is there a way to salvage it?**

Unfortunately, once the chocolate has indeed broken into those icky threads and that liquid, you can save it — sometimes — by adding little bits of cream to the mixture as you stir it over barely simmering water. This will work if the humidity's right, the chocolate hasn't retained

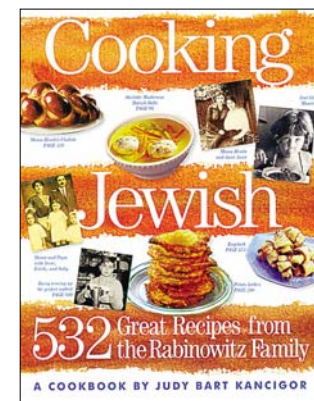
too much residual moisture and the gods are smiling.

But once frozen? We suggest you put in a pan with milk and sugar for your usual chocolate pudding recipe — and make a rather grainier version of pudding. Same for pastry cream and hot cocoa. Even ice cream! No fine chocolate candies, but the extra fat in any of these will help return the chocolate to some sort of good state. One final warning: Don't bake with it.



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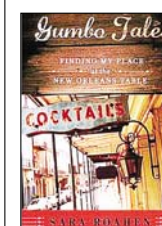
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## BOOKS

**Challah Back Gals**

■ When Judy Bart Kancigor flipped through her mother's handwritten recipe book and found the page for Aunt Sally's ultra-extra-special noodle pudding, the note beside it read: "If this won't give them a gall bladder attack, nothing will." Find out whether that's a desirable thing in "Cooking Jewish: 532 Great Recipes from the Rabinowitz Family" (\$20, Workman), Kancigor's scrapbook/cookbook with scrumptious bites, photos and anecdotes from every branch of her family tree. There are plenty of dishes to make Mama proud — rugelach, borscht, brisket — as well as some that don't quite fit the stereotype of the title. But, hey, it's not just goyim whose mouths water at the sound of arroz con pollo and savory steamed dumplings. VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)

## BOOKS

**Bourbon Street Eats**

■ Even if everything else on the menu is given paper plate and plastic utensil treatment, steaming gumbo gets served in china bowls. That's what Sara Roahen learned after moving from her native Wisconsin to the creole culinary capital. Her "Gumbo Tales: Finding My Place at the New Orleans Table" (\$25, Norton) is partially a memoir of her experiences, but it's more a celebration of the ingredients and dishes that made her life in Louisiana a more fulfilling (and filling!) one. From po'boys and king cake to banh mi and pho, she revels in traditions far more colorful than any string of beads. v.h.

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WHETHER YOU'RE  
NEWLY ENAMORED  
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THERE'S A COCOA  
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**A Hot Crush**

It's a miracle that you met that hot new guy on Eharmony, what with all the cute dudes out of town working advance on the Obama campaign and all. Celebrate such divine romantic luck by giving him a Mexican milagro charm cast in dark or milk chocolate (six 3-inch hearts, \$42-\$46, large heart \$25-\$29, Chocolatedeities.com). Or, from the same wild Web site, choose another cocoa deity representing your burgeoning affair, like a white chocolate sculpture of the Hindu god Ganesh (\$28) to remind him of your shared passion for chicken curry.

**On a Rocky Road**

It seemed like she was your perfect girl, until her obsession with "The Hills" became clear and her creepy ex-boyfriend started coming on all your dates. Still, you're hoping this is just a rough patch. The surface of J. Chocolatier's Bourbon Pecan Toffee — made by local confection diva Jane Morris — may be as bumpy as your connection, but its combo of dark chocolate, English toffee and toasted nuts could permanently win over the most fickle paramour. (\$24 for 12 ounces, Jchocolatier.com or Artfully Chocolate, 116 E. Del Ray Ave., Alexandria; 703-635-7917)

**Get on the Us Bus**

Mutual interests like "Battlestar Galactica" and vintage vacuum-cleaner collecting? Check. Similar politics — you both heart Ron Paul? Check. A love life that'd make rabbits jealous? Check. If you've found The One, you can exchange stuff in Tiffany packages, or just go for Charles Chocolates' box of delicately flavored raspberry-, passion fruit- and mojito-flavored bonbons (\$60, Charleschocolates.com). The box is edible, too, and if you steal a truffle and replace it with say, a 2-carat brilliant-cut, your Valentine probably won't mind.

**Break Up, Bite Me**

She dumped you at your sister's wedding. You had to dance with your mom instead of your hot girlfriend. She must pay. Dead flowers and nasty e-mails aren't mature, but a couple of chocolate-covered crickets (\$24 for six, Flukerfarms.com) sends the message that she doesn't have your heart to squash like a pathetic insect anymore. And if she wears the dorky "I Ate a Bug Club" button that comes with these crispy, less-vile-than-expected "treats," no one else will date her anyhow.

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# B.I.O.

✱ BY INVITATION ONLY: UPCOMING WEDDINGS & UNIONS



## Thomas Bennett, Heather Manley

Tom, 39, is a systems specialist. Heather, 35, is a biologist. They will live in Centreville.

- **The Main Event:** An informal destination wedding in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, on Jan. 9. Heather walked down the aisle to the syncopated rhythms of "The Wedding March" on steel-pan drums.
- **How They Met:** At the American Society for Microbiology Biodefense Conference in D.C.

■ **First Date:** They talked on the phone for a month before he asked her out. Once a dinner date was scheduled, Heather was so sick she had to bail. Another date was planned, but the still-ill Heather had to cancel again. Undeterred, Tom "offered to stop by with food," says Heather. "So, our first date was with Carrabba's take-out, and I was in pajamas."

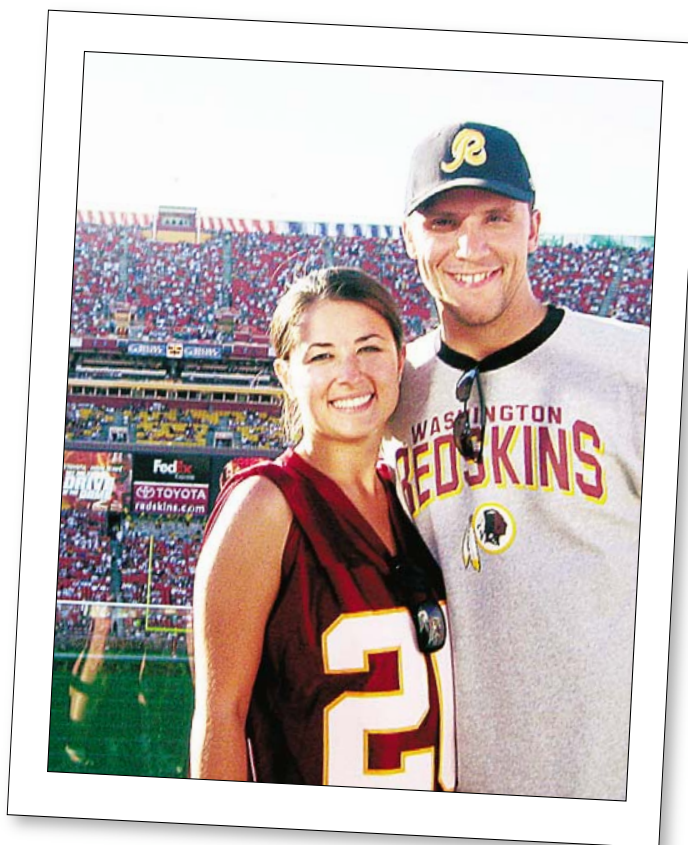
■ **How He Proposed:** As Heather primped before going to her birthday dinner with pals, "Tom came up to the bedroom. I was flossing my teeth when he got down on one knee. I thought, 'Put the floss down.'"

■ **Pet Names:** "I usually use 'love' and the name of an animal," says Tom. "Like 'Love Squirrel, Love Turtle and Love Chipmunk.'"

■ **The Dress:** "I wore a silk dress from J. Crew that I got brand-new on eBay for \$60," says Heather. "I nearly got my veil [also new] for \$1, but someone outbid me, and I had to pay a whopping \$5.50."

■ **When It Hit:** "I knew he was sticking around when he went with me to the Mayo Clinic for a week."

■ **Weird Family Traditions:** "Tom keeps saying something about me taking his last name."



## Tom Tom? Believe It!

Call it love at first sip: When **DIANA ANDANUT** and **JASON BURKETT** met at Tom Tom in Adams Morgan in July 2003, both were slurping Long Island iced teas. It turns out they had more in common than their mixed-drink preferences — like enjoyment of no-holds-barred romantic scenarios. While on a business trip in San Diego, Jason flew Diana to the California coast to meet him — for their first date. "He swept me off my feet," she says. "I showed her the Pacific Coast Highway all the way to Los Angeles," says Jason. The grand overtures continued when Jason proposed on the Maid of the Mist in Niagara Falls in May 2005: "It was romantic and wet, as we were being sprayed by water mist and wearing funny blue ponchos," he says. The couple will exchange vows Aug. 16 at the same D.C. church where Jason's grandparents wed. Diana, 25, is a PR specialist. Jason, 29, is an IT consultant. They live in Alexandria.



## Stephen Doyle, Ruth McCalmon

Steve, 22, is a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Ruth, 25, is an account manager at a PR firm. They will live in Tacoma, Wash.

■ **The Main Event:** A semiformal ceremony at Fort Myer followed by a reception in D.C. on May 10. "My parents were married in the same chapel, and I was baptized there," says Steve.

■ **How They Met:** At the 2006 Army-Navy football game in Philly.

■ **First Date:** Ruth was Steve's date to the West Point 500th Night Ball, which celebrates 500 days until graduation.

■ **How He Proposed:** On the weekend of Ruth's birthday, Steve dropped to one knee in front of a picturesque pond.

■ **Stupidest Fight:** "We got into an argument about the National Guard in the Kent State shootings," says Steve. "We realized after 20 minutes that we were arguing the same point."

■ **Pet Names:** "I call her 'Booger.'"

■ **Making It Unique:** Since "Steve and I both moved around a lot while growing up, we're naming each table at the reception after a place each of us has lived," says Ruth.

■ **Wedding Jitters:** Ruth is worried their "guests will get lost driving from Arlington to downtown D.C. If you miss one exit, you're done!"



**Getting Married?** If you'd like to see your wedding or commitment ceremony in B.I.O., send your favorite informal photograph (wacky is fine, but please don't send a formal engagement shot), plus your names and ceremony date to [weddings@readexpress.com](mailto:weddings@readexpress.com). Please contact us at least one month before your wedding. We'll get back to you with some questions as your big day approaches.



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1. **"McCain. Give him some life when he talks. He looks like a dead man,"** Aimilios Chatzinikolaou, left. **"Romney is fake and plastic-y. He needs to lay off the hair gel,"** Aakash Thakkar, right, with Ami Thakkar. **2. "Hillary. That hair! Those suits!"** Candice Johnson, left. **"Hillary. She's got that 'candidate hair,'"** Vernica Britton. **3. "Romney's hair. Make it look more natural, less plastic. He looks like a Ken doll,"** Josh Gilliland, left, with Phil Olaya. **4. "I'd tell Barack to eat more. Cut the cardio and eat more potatoes and grits,"** Glenn Cassis. **"Hillary needs a personal-ity makeover. She's relying too much on her gender and it isn't genuine,"** Fade Adetosoy. **5. "Huckabee's got bad teeth, but he's trying to work that as part of his charm,"** Dustin Wilkes, left, with Damien Ma. **6. "Kucinich needs to do something about his height. Maybe a Mr. T-style makeover. He needs to bulk up,"** Ed Kenny, left. **"Huckabee needs Invisalign,"** Greg Ordun. **7. "I'd like to see Obama be a little more flavorful with his suits — less Brooks Brothers, more Stacy Adams,"** Kevin Pitts. **8. "Hillary needs a softer look. Her clothes are too matronly,"** Marcia Occomy. **9. "I'd send Kucinich to Edwards' hairstylist,"** Julia Klaiber. **10. "Kucinich needs to incorporate some color into his wardrobe,"** Belvey Russ. **BRYN LANSLOWNE**



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